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### Who's Who and What's What

Sometime ago Dr. Charles E. Maddry of the Foreign Mission Board wrote a letter criticizing statements which he had heard were made by Mr I. D. Terman. He now learns that Mr Terman denies having made the alleged statements. So Dr. Maddry now withdraws his criticism.

Dr. J. W. Lee writes from Batesville: "We are in the midst of our Daily Vacation Bible School. It is going gloriously. Interest and attendance increasing daily."

Pastor Jewell Golman began his ministry at Kreole June 1 and found the pantry full. Everybody helps. Hospitality unexcelled. S. S. attendance increased from 65 to 100 the first month. The Sunday night congregation the best in years; the B. T. U. work growing. Training courses come soon. The W. M. S. is striving for the standard of excellence. Junior G. A's and Sunbeams organized. Join them in prayer.

On June 22 Rev. Joe Skinner preached morning and evening at Thirty-Eighth Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, while Pastor Todd was in a young people's revival at Purvis. On June 27 Rev. Grady Cothern preached at the morning service.

At Morgan City there were seventeen faculty members and helpers in the Vacation Bible School. It was in charge of a lady who had been a teacher of Primaries for years, and the school did excellent work.—C. J. Olander.

President W. W. Hamilton of the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans is making his appeal for help to pay the interest on the debt due August 1. The amount is \$3,262.50. The principal is being gradually reduced and this reduces the semi-annual interest pyaments. All the friends of the Institute are grateful for the progress made and hopeful for the future.

Dr. G. A. Carver, son of Dr. W. O. Carver of the Southern Seminary, has been teaching in Shanghai. He will teach in the Bible Department of Wake Forest College in North Carolina.

Dr. R. B. Gunter preached for Pastor Eubanks in the meeting in Tabernacle Church, Greenville. There were seven additions. The pastor baptized a large group just before the meeting began. These good people have plans in the making for a new church building.

Pastor G. O. Parker was assisted by Brother Orr of West Laurel Church in a meeting at Magee. There were 21 received for baptism and some others by letter.

By invitation of the church at Walnut Dr. Ernest Cox of Blue Mountain spoke on Christian Education June 29. Pastor A. B. Hill says, "I have never heard a clearer or more convincing message on the subject. It will help in completing the Now Club subscription, which has reached fourteen out of seventeen units with one paid up. Rev. Percy Ray began a ten-day meeting July 3, in a tent.

Pastor Z. E. Parker of Three Rivers, Texas, had Rev. L. S. Cole with him in a good revival meeting. There were 18 additions by baptism and nine by letter. He says that the church was greatly blessed by spiritual scriptural preaching. Brother Cole is a tireless worker and loves lost men. For six years he has led his own church in a great program:

Pastor Harold Douglas reports that the Mathison V. B. S. was a success; enrollment 117; average attendance 85; the pastor as principal had a fine group of workers. Nearly every child in Mathison was reached. S. S. attendance averages 73; B. T. U. 25. Revival begins July 20; Dr. J. D. Ray of Starkville preaching and J. T. McRae leading the singing.

In the six months of his pastorate at Durant, Pastor J. H. Street has received 70 new members, 15 of them for baptism.

The Watchman-Examiner says that the population of New York City, 11,690,000, is larger than that of the whole of Australia. It's a big little place.

Divorces in the United States have increased since the Eighteenth Amendment, reaching an all-time high at the last count. Many divorces are caused by drink.

Pastor John Cook had Brother A. B. Pierce with him in a meeting at Maben. There were six additions, three of them by baptism.

Pastor Hamlett has Dr. G. P. White with him in a meeting at Decatur this week.

Holly Grove: Our work goes well. We had 58 in Sunday school last Sunday and on Thursday night we had 75 in prayer meeting.

Sunday, June 29th, closed one of the most successful revivals of several years at Sledge Baptist Church. Bro. J. B. Middleton of Sardis led us in the revival and the Lord blessed us with five professions of faith, two of which were grown men. We are grateful to Bro. Middleton for coming our way and we pray God's blessings upon him in his work at Sardis. The Sledge Baptist Church is conducting a V. B. S. this week. This is the first V. B. S. in this church and it promises to be a good one.—Robert Wesley Porter, Pastor.

Bruce: Rev. Carmon Sharpp of Corinth and Rev. James Fairchilds of Wesson, assisted by Marion Brimm and Sarah Wallis of Memphis closed a very happy and successful series of revivals with the young folks at the Baptist Church here last night after six days' duration with 33 additions for baptism and three by letter and many reconsecrated. Much and lasting good has been done here in our midst by these fine young godly people who will always be remembered here for their loyal and faithful work for the salvation of the lost here. We heartily commend them to any community contemplating young people's revivals.

Last Sunday, July 6th, ended the twentieth year of my ministry as pastor of the First Baptist Church, of Columbus. During the twenty years the church has received into its membership by baptism 1,257, by letter 2,331, a total of 3,588. The membership increased from 541 in 1921 to 2,353 in 1941, a net increase for the period of 1,812. The financial records of the church for the twenty years show total contributions as follows: To Missions, Education and Benevolences, \$104,883.01; to local work, which includes building funds, \$330,905.48; total to all purposes, \$435,878.49.—J. D. Franks.

It becomes more and more evident that the Ecumenical Conference held a month ago in Toronto was not a love feast. Dr. Reinbold Weibur's report of it so incensed the editor of the Christian Century that the latter called the former all sorts of uncomplimentary names. We are reminded of the Presbyterian lady who was at a Methodist church when the pastor was making a special and as it proved prolonged petition for peace in a warring world. She was rather stout but at the insistence of the preacher kneeled down between the seats, an attitude to which Presbyterians are not accustomed. The preacher prayed so long that she was unable to continue in this cramped position. So rising she said, "Phew! They'll have to fight it out."

Governor Stassen of Minnesota is vice-president of the Northern Baptist Convention. As governor of the State he welcomed Cardinal Dougherty to the Eucharistic Congress recently meeting in St. Paul. The Cardinal was the Pope's representative.

The Gatesville Baptist Church has pledged enough money to completely put a number one top on the church house. The spirit of fellowship seems to be very good right now between the church and God and among themselves. Our meeting is to start on the first week in August (Aug. 3) and Bro. L. P. Petty of B. B. I. is to do the preaching.—Harold Clower, Pastor.

The State Baptist papers of the Southern Baptist Convention, and their Editors, appreciate the courtesy of the Foreign Mission Board in giving special emphasis to their assistance in the furtherance of the gospel. We shall be pleased to give at a later date the editorial about them which appeared in the July-August number of the Commission. The pictures of the Editors and their papers do full justice to them. Indeed, most of the brethren look younger than when we last saw them. Nothing like renewing our youth. Two of the brethren are conspicuous by the absence of their pictures, but their papers are quite visible. You will find lots of other things in the Commission that you will like.

From an article in The American Hebrew we quote: "Before all else, man must work on himself, to effect a transformation in his own character." That does not sound like the word from the old Hebrew prophet, Jeremiah 13:23: "Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard his spots? Then can ye also do good that are accustomed to do evil." Jeremiah also prophesies about the new covenant by which God will write His law on their hearts. And the Old Testament teaches us that people need to be circumcised in heart, and not simply in the flesh.

From Brother D. C. Daughtery we learn that the church at Iuka has had a gracious revival. There were 16 additions to the church, ten by baptism. Pastor Raymond Pate led the church in active work. Rev. R. E Guy brought great messages and Brother Frey led the singing.

It now seems that the transfer of General Wavell by the British Government to India from the Near East was at least partly because he did not favor helping Greece nor fighting in the Mediterranean area. But Churchill believed that the plighted word to Greece was worth keeping at the risk of failure. And we believe with him that there are values which are worth more than what the world calls success.

Dear Members of Mount Olive Baptist Church: Our church voted last Sunday morning to send the Baptist Record to all the resident families. This step was taken that it might inform its members of our Lord's work as it is being carried on at home and abroad; that they might be inspired and fed by the great spiritual food that is served therein each week, that each member might be brought into a closer and a more real fellowship with our Lord and brethren throughout the State and the South. Read it faithfully, meditate on it prayerfully, follow its inspiration unto loyal service, then our Master will be pleased and honored, His cause will be advanced, our church will pros per, and you will be happy.-Your Pastor, R. R. Brigance.

One man expecting to be on his vacation July 27 when the special offering is made for religious work in the military camps, has already sent in his contribution. He might say with Paul, "Brethren, be ye imitators of me."

East Moss Point: Our work goes well. New light fixtures and electric fans have recently been put in the church auditorium. Nine of our boys attended the R. A. Encampment at Brooklyn. I have baptized 12 in the last few weeks. After the Now Club was explained our church voted unanimously to accept our quota. We are happy to have Rev. Jewel Goldman as pastor at Kreole.—Montie A. Davis, Pastor.

# Sparks and Splinters

We have just closed one of the most successful meetings in our church here at Poplarville I have ever seen, taken from most every standpoint. Dr. Norman W. Cox of First Church, Meridian, did the preaching. There were 51 additions to the church: 40 for baptism and 11 by letter. Most of those for baptism were Intermediates, Young People and Adults. Among the adults were two of the most prominent and influential business men of Poplarville and this section of our county. Our church is now in a fine condition spiritually and financially, and we are enjoying one of the finest spirits of co-operation we have ever seen. Dr. Cox is a great gospel preacher. He is tactful in the delivery of the message of God and at no time did he fail to put the message square from the shoulder with great conviction of soul. God sent him to us and we are grateful.-L. E. Green, pastor.

Dr. Hendon M. Harris, now en route home from China, and Mrs. Harris, who has been making her home in Memphis, will be at the annual Moon Lake meeting of the WMU's of the Delta, July 16, where Mrs. Harris will make the principal address of the day. The meeting is sponsored by the Lyon WMU and is held in the clubhouse of Mrs. A. J. Simmons, associate superintendent of Riverside Association.

The June average attendance of the Lyon Sunday School was the largest since 1926. Sixty-six were enrolled in the Vacation Bible School which closed at Lyon June 25, with an average attendance of fifty-nine. This was a gain of 20% over last year.

And now the Federal Council of Churches in America is undertaking to tell all the churches when to observe the Lord's Supper. The camel's nose is pushing into the tent.

Southern Baptists gave nearly \$200,000 last year to help British Baptist missions in their emergency. At the same time there was more than a quarter million increase in gifts to our own Foreign Mission Board. You may draw your own conclusions.

From Rev. C. J. Olander we learn that the Leflore County churches will conduct a county-wide evangelistic campaign. Meetings are to be held in all sections of the county where there are no Baptist churches, at mission points and where churches should be organized. The third Sunday in July is the time set to begin. All pastors will give their services for a week. Pastor W. R. Storie of Itta Bena is in charge.

Dr. J. B. Quin reports the Summit Church has subscribed its quota for the Now Club and is still going. The people are happy over it.

The Watchman-Examiner has an editorial on the speech of Dr. E. Stanley Jones before the Northern Baptist Convention. It closes with these words: He distinctly took advantage of our courtesy as a Convention to further his personal and causal objectives. Dr. Jones is a Methodist. He repeatedly uttered the error of calling the Convention "the Baptist church." Perhaps he no more understood the purposes of the Convention than he understands Baptists. We prefer to charitably assume this to be the case. Dr. Jones nevertheless committed a faux pas in thus employing the opportunity our Convention's hospitality accorded him. We believe in freedom of speech, but, as between Christians especially, we believe also it should be exercised with the considerations of courtesy and fairness. We feel we ought to have the right to decide before it is done whether or not we want the Northern Baptist Convention to be a sounding board to the country for any brand of ism.

Rush McDonald, formerly assistant pastor of Union Avenue Church, Memphis, has passed all tests and been commissioned a lieutenant in the air corps of the U.S. Army, and is now stationed in Hawaii.

Lester C. White, recently a student in the Baptist Bible Institute, is now Educational Director in Eureka Avenue Church, Knoxville.

Years ago when the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work of Southern Baptists was in danger of being dissipated through interdenominational channels, the Lord saved us from this catastrophe by giving wisdom to men like Dr. J. M. Frost and his associates who built up a great denominational organization and preserved the spiritual energies and potentialities of our people. There has never been a greater blessing bestowed on us than the channeling of our educational efforts through these denominational agencies. If you allow the energies and aspirations of our people to be dissipated over an interdenominational field, they are lost in inefficiency. Similarly the Lord has conserved and strengthened our young people's work through the Baptist Student Union under the direction of Secretary Frank Leavell. And right now Mr. Lawson H. Cooke is doing a similar service through the Brotherhood of the South Our pastors and churches can do no greater service to the church of Christ and for saving a lost world, than to develop the man-power in our churches and direct it through denominational channels. If we don't do it, some interdenominational supersalesman will come along and dissipate the spiritual energies of our men until they are lost in an unfruitful morass.

Dr. Weldon M. Wilson of Portland, Oregon, succeeds Dr. H. W. Virgin as pastor of North Shore Church, Chicago.

Rev. B. Grey Griffith becomes leader of the Baptist Missionary Society of Great Britain and Ireland on this its 150th anniversary.

"If the foundations be destroyed, what have the righteous been doing?" That's a translation which some brother gives. We commend the passage to the study of Dr. Mark Lowrey and other Hebrew brethren.

Pastor Hilbun of Pontotoc has Secretary McCall with him in a meeting this week.

When the financial assets in this country belonging to people in Germany were frozen by order of the Treasury Department, our government was not starting something new against Germany. The financial assets of Americans in Germany have long been subject to restrictions.

A letter from Dr. L. R. Scarborough tells of his constant improvement as he rests in his cottage in the Rio Grande Valley; for which was are all grateful.

From the Word and Way, we have it that Mrs. Edgar Godbold of Kansas City is making a good recovery after a serious major operation. Mrs. Godbold, with her distinguished husband, attended the recent commencement of Mississippi College.

John the Baptist said he was a voice, a voice in the widerness. A voice is that which transmits an idea. That is the way truth is propagated. The people could hear what John the Baptist said. Can you hear what your preacher says? Preacher, can the people hear what you say? Truth is of no use unless it is transmitted from one mind to another. The cause of economic distress in our country is not because there is not enough to go around. There is plenty and to spare. Truth is we are doing the idiotic thing of limiting production in order to restore prosperity. We had better work at the job of distribution, of getting the goods to the people who need it. That is the only thing which will bring prosperity. Of what avail are fields and gardens and orchards full of fruit rotting on the ground. Just so with the truth of God. We must get it to the people. And it takes a voice to do that. And unless a preacher speaks so that the people hear what he has to say-what

There are reported 120 conversions among the boys in the summer camps conducted by the Young People's Department of the W. M. U. in Mississippi.

Pastor M. J. Anderson reports a successful revival meeting at Bogue Chitto, closing June 29. Interest good; a number saved. Rev. Ray F. Sutton preached, assisted by W. F. Town, Jr. These men greatly endeared themselves to the people.

Rev. Percy Herring is now Chaplain in the U. S. Army with the rank of First Lieutenant with address: 291 Radio Drive, Macon, Ga. He was pastor at Gallman and Shady Grove in Copiah County.

### Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

"GETTING READING DONE"

Always we need to get our people to read the Bible. Both our B. T. U. and Sunday School organizations have done a notable work in this respect. It needs to be reinforced and magnified. For sometime we have been supplementing these efforts by some special plans for the reading of the Bible. About every third or fourth year we enlist as large a number of the people as we can to read the entire New Testament through in the last three months of the year. To do this we have book marks with one month's supply of daily readings printed on them. Then we follow this up with the reading of the Old Testament through with regular readings put in a church calendar weekly. Once every several years we are having people read the entire Bible through. By reading three chapters every week-day and five on Sunday this can be done in a year. We have induced hunreds of our people to read the Bible regularly by the use of the above means.

Our Sunday School Board now is providing a splendid devotional quarterly at 5c. It is named "Open Windows." For several years before coming back to Meridian I ordered a supply of devotional quarterlies and just before the beginning of each quarter have them available where the people could get them and put a nickle down on the table to pay for their own copy. We started this plan off the first of January with "Open Windows." I commend it. Have an adequate supply included in your next order of Sunday School literature. You will find that this will appeal to quite a number.

The departmental superintendents, the teachers, the B. T. U. leaders, and the W. M. U. workers can stimulate their membership to the reading of the literature that is available in their respective fields.

From time to time I call the attention of my people to their reading of the Baptist Record in one way or another. By all means we who are pastors must induce our people to read much that will instruct and inspire them in their knowledge of the Lord and His work.

Tuskegee Institute reports that in the past six months there have been one lynching in Florida, one in Georgia and one in North Carolina. Allwere negroes.

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Dr. J. W. Cammack of Fork Union Military Academy, offers the following verses as a suitable prayer for America:

God save America; humbly we plead, We have sinned—O, now grant us At Thine altars our soul's deepest need. With all nations that forsook Thee, O, Jehovah, God of grace, God save America, we seek Thy face.

Pastor Blanding Vaughan reports a gracious meeting in Southside Church, Meridian, June 22-29. Brother Rowe Holcomb of Kosciusko brought good spiritual messages. There were five additions to the church.

Word comes from Dr. James A. Stewart, pastor of First Church, West Point, Mississippi, to the effect that a recent cable stated that his home in Belfast had been destroyed in a recent air raid, but his family members were safe. Certainly these friends in Christ and all others have the sympathy and love of all our people in these days of great trouble.

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The summer congregations at Clinton continue good. Last Sunday and the Sunday before the congregation had the pleasure of hearing preachers who were reared in Clinton. They are Dr. Theodore Whitfield, now of Pocahontas, and Rev. Robert Martin of Philipp. These prophets are honored among their own folks and brought excellent messages.

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#### ENDOWMENT FOR DENOMINATIONAL COLLEGES By John Jeter Hurt

Your issue of June 12th quotes my friend Secretary Edgar Godbold, of Missouri, as having said, "There is danger for any denominational school in a large endowment." His words are true. I am sure Dr. Godbold would be willing to say, also, that there is danger for any denominational school in a small endowment. Several other things are true concerning endowment for denominational colleges.

- 1. No Baptist colleges in the South have large endowments. Most of our colleges have pitiably small endowments; and yet these colleges are expected to train our young preachers free, or at greatly reduced charges; to help low-salaried ministers in the education of their children; to give financial assistance or jobs to innumerable sons and daughters of poor Baptist, or else,-well, some of them actually say they will go to the State schools because they are cheaper. All of these things the Baptist colleges want to do if they can. The question is, How?
- 2. Endowments do not produce what they once produced. Both State laws and sound judgment dictate that security of principa; must be the first consideration in making investments of endowment funds. When securities are made doubly secure the returns from these investments are very small, and becoming smaller all the while. If one hesitates to accept this statement, then let him ask his banker.
- 3. While Southern Baptists have given small endoments to their colleges, and these endowments are showing diminishing returns, yet the Baptist people of the South are becoming more numerous and more prosperous every year. And they want their colleges to furnish better facilities to more young men and women than at any time in all our history. I think all of us see this problem. But we have not yet decided what we are going to do about it.
- 4. The late Dr. Wallace Buttrick, many years Secretary of the General Education Board, once told me that Mr. Rockefeller was moved in the years agone to offer financial aid (usually 25% of the total) to almost any bona fide college that launched a campaign for endowment because he could foresee the need of endowment for American colleges, and he could see that the people themselves were not "sold" on the importance of adequate endowment.

Mr. Rockefeller's conditional gifts stimulated efforts in all sections of the land, and the objectives set by most of the institutions were reached. The colleges are where they are today largely because of Mr. Rockefeller's stimulus to our own heroic efforts of another day. After some years Mr. Rockefeller quit. And, for the most part, we Baptists of the South quit, aiso! Do we have to be "sold" again? Shall we await the uprising of another philanthropist to "sell" us on the importance of what we know already? Or, now that we have become a great people and prosperous, shall we appraise our task, organize our forces, and do the thing which presses upon us?

5. I am afraid of too little endowment-very much afraid. We can trust the Baptist people of the South to see that their colleges do not get too much. They will also see that their colleges do not g astray. I am glad of this. No institution should smart under corrective criticism. But the colleges need something more than criticism. Criticism plus cash makes a splendid combination. At one of the educational conventions a few years ago, when we were in the trough of the depression, a group of college executives were lounging between sessions in a hotel lobby, lamenting their financial condition.

"Charley," said a State college president to his friend, "you should not be naving such a hard time. Yours is a denominational college. Your brethren look after you, don't they?"

"Y-e-s," said Charley laconically, "I reckon so. They say they pray for us, and they keep us from dancing."

Maybe Charley was just feeling blue. And, maybe, there was some ground for his pessimistic outlook.-Union University, Jackson, Tennessee.

#### SPIRITUAL SAFETY VERSUS PHYSICAL SAFETY

America today is putting forth a Herculanean effort to provide adequate armed forces to serve her own needs and at the same time produce enough extra munitions to enable England to break Germany.

The realization is beginning to dawn on Christians at last that instead of looking to God as our first protector, we have been striving to gain security by men and arms; and forgetting God. In truth, we have been blindly following the leadership of the Godless "Materialists." By "Materialists," I mean those who feel self-sufficient by their own intelligence, resources, machines, instruments, abilities, achievements and the like; and feel no need for the help of a Supreme Being. Fundamentally, man only desires a Supreme Being to help him when he has reached the end of his powers or, when some calamity has befallen him. Man today, more than ever before, with the tremendous scientific strides that have been made, is feeling more self reliant, and less need for a Supreme Being. That, I believe, has unconsciously become the attitude of America; which is "materialism." And, we Christians have unconsciously followed along.

The Bible is resplendent with examples of God keeping the enemies of Israel away, even by miraculous help on occasions. The Bible tells us explicitly that enemies were allowed by God to scourge and enslave Israel whenever they went away from God. War is an extreme means of chastening that God finds necessary to resort to at intervals to humble His people and cause them to return to Him. "God is love" and "God is merciful" has been preached so much, and "God is a God of justice" and "God is a God of wrath" and "God chastens His children" has been preached so little that the Christian religion today has become soft and spineless. No wonder Christians today do not stand up and fight for principles as they did a generation or so ago. No wonder they have so little influence today. Verily they have fallen into a self-satisfied state. No wonder our modern "intelligentsia" and "materialists" have taken the leadership of America today and Christians are merely "tagging along."

The question has often been asked in recent years, "Why doesn't God stop Hitler?" The reason God does not stop Hitler is that God has seen fit to pass judgment on His people, His churches, and the Godless, and He is allowing Hitler for a time to be a scourge upon the earth. God can stop Hitler and his whole war machine whenever He sees fit without one iota of human help; if He pleases. God is still omnipotent.

Then you do not think God may have to call on the U. S. to help Him (God) stop Hitler ??? No! And again, no! If God allows or causes us to get involved in the great scourge, it will be from one cause only, we have become so Godless that God has seen fit to pass an extreme judgment upon us. And the U.S. today is far too Godless. I need not go into the apostasy existing among so called Christians, the lack of spirituality in churches today, the wordliness of Christians and churches, the robbing of God in tithes and offerings; and on the other hand the great number of non-Christians who indulge in the widespread use of intoxicating liquor with all its wake of ensuing sins; physical, mental and spiritual wreckage; immorality, wrecked homes, and greed, selfishness, envying, hatred, malice, unbridled speech; and on and on down the catalog of America's sins. Yes, if God decrees or allows America's participation in the war, it will be because we have been judged and found wanting. In God's Providence, we still have time to set our house in order and do the sensible thing of coming to God, and not be hard hearted and stiff-necked, winding up eventually with a severe chastening.

We all need to humble ourselves before God, to search the Bible for His truths, and to pray for the Holy Spirit to come upon us, "to convict of sin, of judgment, and of righteousness." Only when we come to see ourselves with all our sins in true relation to God and His righteousness, are we ready to commence repentance, the uprooting of evil in our hearts, and the appropriation of Christian virtues. Suffering does two things to Christians; it takes sin out of the heart and puts in

#### ROSE THE THIRD DAY By J. R. G. Hewlett

I. Matthew.

- 1. 17:22, 23—Jesus said unto them, "The son of man shall be betrayed into the hands of men; And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again."
- 2. 20:19-And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again.
- 3. 27:64—Command therefore that the sepulcher be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night and steal him away, etc. II. Mark.
- 1. 9:31-Yea he taught his discpiles, and said unto them, The son of man is delivered unto the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise the third day.
- 2. 10:34—And they shall mock him, and shall scourage him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and the third day he shall rise again.
- 1. 9:22-Saying the son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.
- 2. 18:33-And they shall scourge him, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise
- 3. 24:7-Saying, the son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day he shall rise again.
- 4. 24:21-But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel and besides all this, today is the third day since these things were done. Yes, and certain women of our company-which were early at the sepulcher-which said that he was alive.
- 5. 24:46-And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day.

10:40-Peter preaching in the nome of Cornelius said Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly.

V. I Corinthians.

15:3, 4-How that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.

VI. Christ rose on the first day of the week, which

Mark 16:2-And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came to the sepulcher at the rising of the sun.

Luke 24:1-Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulcre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them.

John 20:1-The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulcre, etc.

VII. Jesus rose from the dead on the first day of the week, Sunday, and also on the third day. Then Sunday is the third day, Saturday the second day and Friday the first day. It is impossible for Jesus to remain in the sepulcre three full days and three full nights and rise on the third day. Friday is the only day on which he could be placed in the sepulcre and rise the third day, the first day of the week, according to the scriptures. -BR-

Dr. C. R. McLelland, an alumnus of Mississippi College, with the doctor's degree from Louisiana State University becomes head of the department of Christianity in Louisiana College.

BR-A council consisting of Brethren Sollie Smith, Eugene Farr, D. L. Stennis, John A. Farmer, E. E. Welch, D. J. Richey, R. L. Ward, Pat Sanders and B. Stevens at Enterprise May 28th, examined Brother M. C. Therrill and approved of him as a candidate for the ministry, and he was ordained to become pastor of Knight's Valley Church.

the Christian virtues or graces, thus perfecting' Christian character.

Will America use wisdom and avoid a chastening, or does she choose to learn the tragic way. through chastening?-A Pilgrim.

# EDITORIALS

NEW SOURCES OF POWER

Probably unnoticed by most people, because they were so busy reading the war news, there was a report some days ago in the daily papers about the work of scientists from Berkeley, California, about their efforts to discover the latent energy in matter, which seems to be of wcalculable potency, and may be of such value as to eclipse the value of electricity, if it can be harnessed for use. The account is phrased in such words as are at present hard for the common man to understand. But as for that matter, so is most of the talk about electricity. Fortunately we do not have to understand all about things in order to be practically benefited by them. We have long been hearing about atoms and electrons. But these physicists now speak about cyclotrons, mesotrons and some other things hitherto unheard of. They tell us of their having power of 100,000 vo.ts. The Lord has hid away many things in nature awaiting the day when man's moral and spiritual development catches up so as to enable us to make proper use of them. Paul says something about what has been hid for ages and generations, but that it is now the will of God to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery. And his prayer is "that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory may give unto you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him, having the eyes of your neart enlightened that ye may know what is the hope of His calling -and what the exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe, according to the working of the strength of His might which He wrought in Christ when He raised Him from the dead, and made Him to sit at His right hand in the heavenly realms." Eph. 1:15-23.

#### THE ONE QUIET SPOT

The Second Psalm shows a world in commotion. It is in commotion because it is rebellion. It cannot be at peace so long as it resists God or is out of harmony with his will. That is the bottom cause of all the disturbances in the world. It is in frantic and fevered efforts to cast off the restraints which the will of God imposes. At times it breaks out into open and unrestrained violence. Godlessness, defiance of God, is the force that is turning the world into a hell today. Even Christian people are in perplexity and distress.

Not so is God. The nations rage, the peoples meditate a vain thing; the kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together against God and against His anointed, with the purpose to destroy His dominion. But our God is undisturbed. He that sitteth in the heavens will laugh. Notice he does not get up out of his seat. The throne of God is immovable. "Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever." John on the isle of Patmos said, "I saw a throne set in heaven." Clouds and darkness may be round about Him, but righteousness and judgment are the foundation of His throne."

This Second Psalm is one of absolute assurance and peace, even in a troubled world. The Lord overlooks it all, and will have the last word. "Then will he speak unto them in his wrath and vex them in his sore displeasure." And this is what he says, "Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion." The Lord Jesus is on the throne to stay. "Ask of me and I will give thee the heathen for thy possession." Those who refused obedience shall come acknowledging Him king. It will be a world-wide dominion—"the uttermost part of the earth."

It is good for us, it is well for all men, that we are invited to "take refuge in Him." Jesus said, "In the world ye shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." "My peace I give unto you." "Thou shalt kept him in perfect peace whose mind is staid on God."

Morrison Chapel Church, Bolivar County, had the largest Daily Vacation Bible School ever. Partor J. W. Sturdivant was dean, using local talent. This makes them look forward to the school next year.

#### BETTER GO TO COLLEGE

We are living, as everybody knows, in troublous times. Nobody knows what a day may bring forth. People are in danger of having all plans disrupted. And they are in danger of being so confused that they will fail to make any plans.

There are two things which everybody ought to keep in mind. The first is that "God is in His heavens." Whether it necessarily follows that "All's right with the world," depends altogether on your point of view. "All things work together for good to them that love God, for them who are called according to His purpose." The effect on us of world events depends on our own mental and moral attitude. "It is not the gale but the set of the sail which determines the way we go." If you are right with God, things will be right with you whatever may happen. "If God be for us, who can be against us?" "I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved." That's the first thing to settle.

The next thing to know is that whatever happens to the world; whatever condition it may be in six months or six years from now, we had better make the best possible preparation to fill our places in it. To us it goes without saying that the training of one's mind, so that it will work normally, with proper speed and accuracy is a necessary preparation for life's work. Unless a man develops the ability to think; unless his mind is versatile, he will be lost in a bewildered world.

A young man who is not able to keep on his feet mentally will be trampled on by people who like himself have never learned to think. Unthinking people are simply a mob, an unorganized helpless mass. But a man who has learned to use his mind will be always in demand, and especially in a time of world confusion like we are now having.

A college education is not all that a man needs. And there are some people who go through college who never learn to think. But the chances are all in favor of the man who goes to college. It may not be easy to go. But you had better go. If you know which side your bread is buttered you will go. Ask the Lord to help you and promise Him that you will make good use of it if He will help you to go to college.

And what we have said for men applies in like manner to women.

### PRAYER IN NATIONAL EMERGENCY

There ought to be no division of opinion among Christians as to the value of prayer on any occasion. And if so, then there can be none as to the need and propriety of prayer in the time of national crisis. Paul says (1 Tim. 2:1-2) "I exhort therefore first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, thanksgivings, be made for all men; for kings and all that are in high places; that we lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and gravity." Here is exhortation for those responsible for the national welfare; and especially for peace. It is surprising how little of praying we hear and do today in this time of national emergency. We read daily about the disturbed condition of the world for the papers are full of it. We sit by the radio to hear the latest war news. But how seldom do we hear earnest and sustained prayer for the peace of the world.

There have been great crises in history when the events turned upon prayer, and discussions affecting nations were made in answer to prayer. You can never forget the prayer of Hezekiah, King of Judah when Rabshakeh the captain of the Assyrian host came against Jerusalem, having destroyed a multitude of cities on his westward march. He wrote a letter to Hezekiah expressing his determination to destroy Jerusalem. Hezekiah took the letter and spread it before the Lord and prayed. The Lord heard. And the hosts of Assyrians were destroyed overnight by the angel of the Lord. Byron describes the destruction in his poem beginning.

"The Assyrian came down life a wolf on the fold His cohorts all gleaming with purple and gold." The Bible says when they arose next morning they were all dead corpses.

This does not mean that prayer is to take the

place of national defense; but that it makes national defense effective. We have known people raised up from serious sickness or relieved of excruciating pain in answer to prayer. This does not justify us in abandoning the use of medicine. But it does mean that the Lord in answer to prayer makes effective the ministry of medicine, and at times of emergency has given relief and health where medicine was helpless.

We have had occasions in our national history, when our people were brought to their knees before God, and He came to our help. We are reminded of the experiences of George Washington and our own national Congress. It has not been so many years since President Woodrow Wilson called the nation to prayer, and the tide of events was turned. Why cannot our people in this time of national peril and world distress fall on their knees before God, confess to Him and before men our sins and implore God's forgiveness and help? Why cannot our churches from Sunday to Sunday make their supplication to God for His leadership in this time of national emergency?

#### WHAT IS PERSONALITY?

If we do not answer this question, maybe we can start somebody to working at the answer And the further we miss the answer the more certain it is that somebody else will try it. We provoke people to think by the mistakes we make.

Maybe somebody thinks this is a question for the "charm school," or for the judges in a "glamour" contest. If they have anything to contribute let them get at it. But we are not in favor of leaving the decision of the highest matters to these superficial or sentimental perversions of psychology, Everybody is at least occasionally talking about "personality." Why not think about it as well as talk about it? The professors of psychology behind their desks are trying their hands at definition. And the writers of books on successful salesmanship are offering you the product of their thinking. They tell you how to meet people, impress people, influence people and make them responsible to your wish. All of these are worth studying. But it may not be best to stop working at the matter yourself a little.

We speak of one man or woman having so much more personality than another. Just what do you mean by that? Not that he or she is simply more pleasant or agreeable. But rather that there is something in him which gives him an advantage at the very start. Almost before he has spoken or done anything you are impressed. There is something in the man which gives weight to his words, or force to his opinions or his actions. There is something in him, behind all that he says or does. What is it?

Is it something which can be secured or attained? Is it something which one may develop? We hope so, but we had better study to see what the thing is. Just a suggestion or two. An infant does not have it, though differences soon develop in babies. The elements of character are latent in all people, but they are not developed in all.

What are the essential elements in character?

There is probably no better analysis of the human mind than that found in the old books on psychology, namely the pointing out of Will and Emotion and Intellectuality. And maybe if we will look along this line we will arrive at what we (Continued on Page Five)

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#### WHAT IS PERSONALITY?

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are looking for. There is pretty general agreement that will is the controlling force in character, that is, in the right sort of character. Now work along that line. Can the will be strengthened and set right? Here is where religion comes in. "It is God that worketh in us to will and to do of His good pleasure." And the man who leaves God out is headed for trouble. A good engine with a full head of steam is exceedingly dangerous without an engineer.

The motives must be wholesome or something will blow up. Dynamite and gunpowder and gasoline and electricity are powerful agents and valuable-when in their place or properly controlled. An astute intellect is admirable or it may be ruinous, for example, when behind a sharp tongue

or a poison pen. Maybe it would be right to say that personality is a matter of education in the proper meaning of the word Education. It means normal development, the bringing of natural powers into their best expression, to make them articulate, usable. It is harmonious development. It is development under the guidance of God's hand and Spirit. It is not simply development, it is in control of them and use of them. It is self-control. It is what Peter in his Second Epistle calls temperance. It is what Paul calls "moderation" or "gentleness": "Let your moderation be known to all men." Personality is the result of this development. It is knowing how to use one's intellectual and spiritual

#### -BR-FORWARD, MARCH July 27, 1941

The Southern Baptist Convention at Birmingham, Ala., on May 15 gave the command, Forward March! The Convention instructed the Home Mission Board to promote the religious work in connection with the Army Camps, Navy bases, Marine stations, air corps, and CCC camps, working in cooperation with the state mission board and

Dr. J. B. Lawrence, the executive secretarytreasurer of the Home Mission Board, called a meeting of the state secretaries to meet in Nashville June 10 to discuss ways and means of carrying out the instructions of the Southern Baptist Convention.

At this meeting considerable discussion was given to the needs throughout the South in the camps and in the communities adjacent to the camps and in defense project areas.

Chairman Lawrence and the secretaries had a joint meeting with the Administrative Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, and after careful thought and study it was agreed upon to ask Southern Baptists for \$300,000 for this work.

Each state secretary outlined the needs in his respective state, giving a rather comprehensive statement of the condition that exists and of the seriousness of the situation. It was suggested that our people need to be informed relative to the condition that exists throughout our territory. The state secretaries were requested to give their people this information, encourage the churches and pastors to impress upon the minds and hearts of the people the vital need of a cooperative effort in order to take Christ to our camps.

work with the Home Mission Board in providing the needs and supplying the demands.

July 27 Southern Baptists will march down the aisles of the 25,000 churches throughout our Southland and lay their offerings upon the altar to promote this worthy phase of our work. Make your plans to join this great procession, and let us put Christ on the throne in the camps, in the communities adjacent to the camps, and in the hearts of this noble army of young men.

Yours in service,

D. A. McCALL, Executive Secretary.

-BR Rev. B. S. Abernethy resigns the pastorate of Columbia, Mo., to become Executive Secretary of the Missouri Council of Churches.

#### PICTURES OF JESUS Through Others' Eyes

In the latter part of the fifth chapter of John's Gospel we are told that Jesus went back to Galilee after His sojourn in Jerusalem and Judea, and after His experience in Samaria. John says the Galilleans "received Him." Their attitude toward Him was changed. He was reared in Galilee and they were inclined to think that no good thing could come out of Galilee. They had an inferior complex in the matter of religion. It was not easy for them to believe that one whom they had known all His life, one who was reared among them, was more than an ordinary man. There is a saying that "no man is a hero to his own valet." Another is that "familiarity breeds contempt." Or in scripture language, "A prophet is without honor in his own country.'

Greatness or beauty becomes common by being constantly seen. What is common becomes commonplace. It is what is new or unusual that attracts us. Everybody ought to get away from home occasionally to get his eyes open. And it will help the folks at home for a member of the family to go away for awhile and come back. We will know them better by having missed them for a season. We will see things in them that we never saw before, and would never have seen if they had not gone and returned. There are beauties in the sky above you and in the world around you. But you don't see these. You have to go to Switzerland or the Rhine, or to Colorado, or California. We don't see so well the things that we see all the time.

Jesus had to go to Jerusalem and stay awhile in Judea and tarry a bit in Samaria, so that the people back home might better realize who he is. We often have to see things through others' eyes before we can see them with our own. That is why artists and poets are valuable to us. They are "seers" and teach us to see things we would never see without their aid.

Some of these Galileans had been down to Jerusalem and had seen the things (signs) which Jesus did there. Either he had not done many in Galilee, or else they had not been greatly impressed by them. More likely the first. When they saw and heard about what He had done in Jerusalem they were much impressed. They saw what a stir He had made in the national capitol. And when he came back to Galilee they "received Him." The old story of "Acres of Diamonds," at your own door, and unrecognized. Let us thank God that we may see Jesus through the eyes of others. We can learn of Him through them.

That may not be the best knowledge, but it will start us to learn something, as it did with these folks back in Galilee. To be sure it was a sort of oblique knowledge. The emphasis had been on the miracles which He wrought rather than on the truth which He preached. And this Jesus did not encourage. That is the reason He said to one man, "Except ye see signs and wonders ye will in no wise believe." That is not the best basis for faith, nor is it faith of the best quality.

The occasion for the remark was that when He came back to Cana where He had made the water wine, a nobleman came asking Him to heal his son. Cana would naturally bring up memories of a miracle. Others might welcome Him back to His native province, but here is a man who is in distress. This courtier, or king's officer, has a son There will be a state camp committee in every who is dangerously ill, apparently near death's state who will carefully survey every situation and door. And in his grief he hastens to where he hears Jesus is, and implores His help.

Jesus means to help him, but He wishes to help him in the way that will do the most good, the way that will have the very best results. He sees that the man is interested chiefly in physical relief, and that he is more impressed with miracles than with morals, more in the body than in the soul, more in wonders than in truth. This he seeks to correct and says, "Except ye see signs and wonders ye will in no wise believe." It is a rebuke which will bear fruit later, but maybe not immediately. Only one thing is on the mind of the nobleman at the moment: "Sir (Lord), come down ere my child die."

Jesus grants his request, but puts him to the test. He does not go, but says, "Run along, thy son liveth." The man's faith rises to the occa-

#### SALVATION AND CHARACTER By Jeff D. Ray, Seminary Hill

No man was ever saved by offering his own good character as either the basis or the procuring cause of salvation; on the other hand, no man was ever saved without a good character. I do not mean his conduct-what he does; nor his reputation-what his neighbors think of him. I mean his character—what he actually is.

The thief on the cross had a bad reputation and a poor record for good conduct. But before Jesus said: "This day thou shalt be with me in paradise," the thief on the cross had a good character-in his heart he had been made right with God and man. When Ananias said "Brother Saul, receive thy sight," Paul's character had been made as correct as it was the day he was beheaded in Rome. No man ever received that spiritual enlightening who had not been made right inside.

Unfortunately there are extremists in the matter of thinking who cannot admire a rising sun without resenting the intimation that there is also a charm in the setting sun. By the same process of perverted thinking there are people who are so obsessed with the truth that a man is not saved by his character that they jump to the false and pernicious extreme that a man can be saved without a good character. Character does not imply salvation but salvation does imply character. We do not violence to the meaning of James if we paraphrase his verses to read "Show me your salvation without your character and I will show you my salvation by my character"

Personally, I am a mystic in religion but I sometimes wonder if we of the mystic turn are not in danger of exalting experience above performance-feeling something above being something.

Any many who thinks he has "salvation by grace" without a good character has another "think" coming. He got hold of something else and thought he had salvation by grace. He is on the wrong track. Salvation by grace produces good character. Salvation by grace is the only salvation there is. But it is not a label stuck on the outside. It is a regenerating process on the

These pseudo pietists who make much ado about the riches of grace in Christ Jesus and who do not pay their debts, and do not speak the truth, and do not "tote fair" and are generally unreliable, are many but not much. They exude religiosity but have no character, and are strangers to real religion.

Jesus put His approval on character in religion when He spoke of those who "in an honest and good heart having heard the word keep it and bring forth fruit with patience." An "honest and good heart" is the distinguishing mark of every real Christian.

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Just a suggestion to those who write for publication: What is good form for the minutes of a religious meeting is not necessarily good reading in a newspaper. Pick out the matters of importance and interest, put them in the briefest possible form and send them in promptly. Don't tell what is going to happen, but what has happened, as soon as it happens.

sion. He dare not question the word of Jesus, though his faith may not be perfect. He takes Him at His word. That is what faith is, even when it is imperfect. But it works. It is some way back to Capernaum, but he trudges along and when he gets home, finds his son well.

Notice his cautious question to the servants who meet him and told him that his son was well: "When did he begin to improve?" "Improve?" they said. He didn't begin to improve; he just got well. "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." "The seventh hour?" That is exactly the time Jesus told him all was well. It is to the credit of this man that "himself believed and all his house." He opened his heart to the Lord Jesus. From then on he was one of His. Have you ever seen Jesus in the sick room? Have you asked His help; and was He gracious and responsive to your cry? Have you opened your heart to Him? Have you gratefully accepted not only His ministry of healing, but His saving grace?

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# WHO OR WHAT IS GOD? By William James Robinson, A. M., D. D.

The knowledge and use of certain basic truths is essential to success in any field of human endeavor. No man can be an efficient mathematician until he masters the four basic principles, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, of the science. Neither can one be a great Christian without a practical knowledge of the basic truths of Christianity.

In this article I shall discuss briefly some varied ideas of God held by different groups of people professing to know, worship and serve him. I shall assume that the plain statements of the Bibie concerning God are true and that all figurative language is equally true when properly interpreted according to the rules governing our language. It follows then that all statements, it matters not who makes them, that contradict the Bible's teachings concerning God, or adds to them, or takes from them, or in any wire dissipates their meaning is false. Regard the Bible God's word, as true even if it makes every man a liar.

Before discussion of the views of the groups known as evangelical Christians I shall quote the views of groups originating in our country and striving for world-wide dominance. My quotations must of necessity be brief. One does not have to eat all of a cake to know whether or not it is palatable. Any group that propogates doctrines concerning God contrary to what the Bible teaches is heretical. If they are in error concerning the character, nature, works and substance of God their whole system must be rejected. To be sure they may be heretical regarding God and orthodox in many other matters. The doctrine concerning God is the vital doctrine, the foundation, on which every religion must be built. If it is erroneous the whole system must be rejected. Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter? Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? Either a vine figs? So can no fountain both yield salt water and fresh. Jas. 3:11-12. The doctrine one teaches concerning God must be true or his whole system is false.

We have in Kansas City, Mo., an organization known as "Unity School of Christianity." It owns much property, has among its adherents many delightful persons and through its literature is wielding a great influence. It claims to be striving to aid all Christians to gain a deeper and more perfect knowledge of pure Christianity. Its adherents are vegetarians who believe in mental healing and a form of reincarnation. But I am only concerned about their doctrine of God.

I quote from "Lessons in Truth" by H. Emilie Cady, who speaks with authority for this school. He says, "God is not a being or person having life, intelligence, love, power. God is that invisible, intangible but very real something we call life. God is perfect love and infinite power. God is the total of these, the total of all good, whether manifested or unexpressed." (Page 6, part 5). Again he says: "Childlike, untrained minds say God is a personal being. The statement that God is principle chills them and in terror they cry out. They have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him'"! Page 11, par. 21. I could quote many such passages, but space forbids. Reader, please study these quotations carefully. At this time I shall only remind you that he says God is not a person and calls those who believe he is a personal being childlike and untrained minds. Then all the great men of evangelical Christianity are childlike and have or had untrained minds.

"Christian Science" is an older and better known system. A layman having read both would likely conclude that Unity had stolen her thunder from Christian Science. I quote from "Science and Health," the authoritative book of this group. It says, "God is not a person" 94th edition pages 605, 634. Again it says, "The theory of three persons in One God, that is a personal Trinity, suggests heathen gods, rather than the ever present I am" (Page 256, lines 9-10). Set over against these statments the Bible Statements, "Jesus the Son of God, the express image of His person." Heb. 1:3. "There are three that bear record in heaven; the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost; and

these three are one" (John 5-7). Christian Scientists use the Bible in all their services and say that Christian Science agrees with the Bible, and yet publish many statements that as flatly contradict the Bible as the ones I have quoted. "Consistency thou art a jewel."

Reader, remember that one's belief concerning God is the most pervasive of all our beliefs, and does more to determine our character, conduct and destiny than all other beliefs. What does the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints say concerning God? Joseph Smith, their chief prophet, and founder said: "God Himself was once as we are now and is an exalted man, and sits enthroned in yonder heavens" (Journal of Discourses, Vol. 6, Page 3). "The Father has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man's (Doctrines and Covenants. Sec. 130:122). "He (Adam) is our father and our God, and the only God with whom we had to do.... When the Virgin Mary conceived the child Jesus, the Father had begotten him in His own image. He was not begotten of the Holy Ghost. And who is the Father? He is the first of the human family." (Journal of Discourses) Vol. 1, Page 50, Sermons by Brigham Young. The Mormons believe in many gods and that they are polygamous, and that any devout Mormon man may so live as to be so exalted as to become a god. I speak it kindly, but it is true the Mormon doctrine of god is pure paganism. I know of no other group professing to be Christians who believe in a god who has flesh and bones.

Catholics, of all groups, believe God is pure spirit and agree on this point with all evangelical Christians. What then, do evangelical Christians believe? "There is but one only living and true God, who is infinite in being and perfection, a most pure spirit, invisible, without body, parts or passions, immutable, immense, eternal, incomprehensible, almighty, most wise, most holy, most free, most absolute, working all things according to the counsel of his own immutable and righteous will, etc., (Presbyterian Confession of Faith). The Augsburg Confession (Lutheran) Art. 1 affirms: "We declare that we believe and teach that there is one divine essence, undivided, etc., and yet that there are three distinct persons, of the same divine essence and cocturnal, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." They believe, with an overwhelming majority of Christians, in a triune God who is pure spirit, eternal, supreme and sovereign working all things according to His will.

Baptists, Catholics, Episcopalians (all bodies) Lutherans, and all evangelical Christians agree with Dr. A. H. Strong in the following statement: "The doctrine of the Trinity may be expressed in the six following statements: 1. In the scriptures there are three who are recognized as God. 2. These three are so described in scriptures that we are compelled to concive of them as distinct persons. 3. This tri-personality of the divine nature is not merely economic and temporal, but is immaterial and eternal. 4. This tri-personality is not trithesism; for while there are three persons, there is but one essence. 5. The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, are equal. 6. Inscrutable yet not self-contradictory, this doctrine furnishes the key to all other doctrines." Systematic Theology, by Dr. A. H. Strong, page 144.

Unity and Christian Science are practically agreed concerning God. Remember they do not believe in a personal God. Mormons stand alone among professing Christians who believe in a God who has flesh and bones and who was once a man as we are now. Pagans believe in a physical god.

The Bible reveals a triune personal God. "By personality we mean the power of self-consciousness and of self-determination... God, as personal, is in the highest degree self-conscious and self determining. The use in our own minds of the idea of God as personal, depends largely upon our recognition of personality in ourselves." (A. H. Strong).

In order to be Christians of the highest type it is necessary that we know, believe and honor in every possible way the God of the Bible. Who and what is he?

Dr. Howard Spell assisted Pastor Theodore Whitfield in a week's meeting at Pocahontas. One was added to the church by baptism.

#### BEING WORTHY OF OUR PROFESSION By Elton Barlow, McCall Creek, Miss.

There was never a time in the world's history when Christian men and women needed more to live lives worthy of our profession than today, and I suppose there was never a time in our country when professed Christians were more careless, in proportion to their opportunities, than today. Too many things come in the way to keep us from living the consecrated lives of service we ought to. Christians, let's show our colors in this day when all the forces of evil are cooperating in their efforts to destroy all that is pure and good.

Let's read 2 Thessolonians 1:11-12, "We pray always for you, that our God may count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire of goodness and every work of faith, with power; that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and ye in Him."

The burden of Paul's prayer for these Thessolonian Christians was that they be counted worthy of their calling in this time of persecution. The burden of our prayer as Christian people in America today should be that we be counted worthy of our profession today, not while we are being persecuted as those Christians were, but while we are being tempted on every hand. We can help to answer this prayer.

The devil had rather we should go anywhere on Sunday than to church. He had rather we should use profanity any day than pray. He had rather we should make debts any day and wilfully refuse to pay them than to be honest. He is our enemy and intends no good for us, but he rejoices in our serving him instead of God.

Sometime ago I talked with a father of a sweet little girl. I had preached in his community for several months, but I had never seen him at church. I said, "I would like to have you come to church sometimes." He said, "I work hard all the week, and Sunday is the only day I have to hunt and fish." That was in Louisiana. Hunting and fishing on Sunday is a crime in Mississippi, isn't it? But there are professed Christians in Mississippi who are doing far worse things on the Lord's Day than that. It is our regular day for visiting and picnics. It is our day for bookkeeping and transacting business. It is our day to go see the doctor. (By the way, had you noticed the countless numbers of people whose health prevents them from going to church but they can go anywhere else in the world?) It is the day to do anything except render honorable service to the Lord, and if there is nothing in the world to prevent we may go to church in time for preaching service and warm one end of the bench while we listen to the heavily burdened paster preach. Why not make a place for honest respectable service for the Lord when you make out your life's program?

Paul shows here that the way to be counted worthy is to fulfill one's obligation to God.

He shows in conclusion that if we are worthy, the name of Jesus will be glorified in us and we will be glorified in Him. I had rather the name of Jesus be glorified as the reward for what I do than anything. Had you? We bring honor and glory to Him or we do not. When we do not, we bring it to the devil.

BR-

Having just arrived back here after assisting Rev. John Ira Hill, pastor of the State Line Baptist Church in an eight-day revival, I want so much to write these few lines of commendation for the powerful and united efforts of the people in and about State Line in reviving the word of God and the love of Christ among those who have either fallen by the way or else have never known the loveliness and mercy of a divine and forgiving Father. The Baptists in State Line have just completed their beautiful new church, a credit to a town five times its size and what's better is the fact that very little remains due on the structure. Bro. Hill is a go-getter and he has the full support of his aggressive congregation, which of course, means so much to the work of the Lord. I think I shall never find a more unified group of Christians in a Baptist church with so much of the Lord's business on their mind and results so self-evident .- Auber C. Dunn, Fort Worth.

# Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS," I Cor. 13:8b

"Go" Mt. 5:24; "Go" Mt. 10:6; "Go" Mt 11:4; "Go" Mt. 28:7; "Go" Mt. 28:19; "Go" Mk. 16:15; "Go" Lk, 9:60.

"Give" Mt. 5:42; "Give" Mt. 10:8; "Give" Mt. 19:21; "Give" Lk. 6:38; "Give" П Cor. 9:7.

"There's no land like my land . . ."
There is grandeur in my land's mountains,
There is contentment in her vales,
There's wealth in her broad prairies,
And there's freedom in her gales.
In my land all men are equal,
And her flag proclaims it, too.
And no red shall wave o'er that fair land,
Without the white and blue."

When the emergency offering for the camp projects was first mentioned recently, we feared the Committee might set the date so that it would interfere with State Mission offerings. We wrote Drs. Lawrence and Crouch at once. The date, July 27th, was set well in advance of State Mission season. For this we are thankful.

The Home Board and State Secretaries are to work in closest co-operation as seen in the following paragraph. "That the religious work in connection with the army camps, navy bases, marine corps stations, air corps, and C. C. C. camps, be assigned to the Home Mission Board, with the understanding that the Board will work in co-operation with the State Mission Boards."

We are whole-heartedly for the offering. The situation is urgent.

If every Mississippi Baptist church averaged 50c per Sunday school member enrolled we would go well over the top.

Baptists must not fail Christ and the boys in camps!

Some needs in taking Christ to our boys in the

First, personnel as needed and as offerings may make possible.

Second, help provide local pastor.

Third, aid in erecting chapel or small houses of worship in one or two places.

Fourth, a small tent.

Fifth, reading material, as books, magazines, tracts, gospels, for use by the boys.

Sixth, fellowship and social needs met.

Seventh, personal counsel and encouragement for all engaged in defense projects.

It is our purpose, as always, to give Mississippi Baptists complete information about this entire program.

The first need is for a great offering (after prayerful planning) in all our churches Sunday, July 27th.

An average 50c contribution for total persons counted in Sunday School enrollment WILL meet the present gigantic needs.

If you have enrolled 500 in Sunday School your goal on the above basis would be \$250.00.

Please report the amount of your offering immediately after July 27.

IV

Mississippi Baptists continue on their march! They are going somewhere! They know where!

About two months ago we passed the \$25,000 gain goal set by the last Convention for this year. Keep in mind that is in addition to the \$50,000 gained last year.

By the 15th of June (last month) we had received as much as for all of June of 1940. The comparison for the full month is:

5M & Now

Budget Misc. Club Totals
1941 June \$8984.54 \$7354.18 \$6180.46 \$22519.18
1940 June 7134.19 5630.65 1405.03 14169.87

GAIN \$1850.35 \$1723.53 \$4775.43 \$8349.31

We see many signs of strength, progress, victory in these figures! Doxology!

We see two signs of weakness. First, while the gain in Cooperative Program receipts was substantial it was not quite proportionate with the others. In our opinion many Baptists still have something to learn at this point.

Second, while a large increase is shown in the Now Club column, remember, it will take not \$6,100 a month, but \$15,000 per month for 36 months to accomplish this task. But, we go forward!

V

A wire from Ackerman tells us they are over the top on Now Club. Such reports re-invigorate us. We keep on.

The wire follows: POSTAL TELEGRAPH . . . Ackerman, Mississippi . . . Rev. D. A. McCall, Baptist Headquarters, Jackson, Mississippi . . . "Ackerman Church Over Subscribed. Cards Follow. H. L. Rhodes."

VI

Hearts sing as word comes that 120 boys have been saved in summer R. A. camps. Doxology! Reports not yet complete. That is a part of State Missions through W. M. U. that was almost lost last December through lack of funds. Hear that, Mississippi Baptists!

Do we care? If we do, that work should be more largely supported from State Missions.

That depends upon (1) Cooperative Program receipts, and (2) State Mission receipts this Fall.

VII

Went down to the Walthall County Brotherhood meeting at Salem Church, M. J. Gilbert, pastor. Large group of men. Good reports made. Fine supper served by the ladies. A suitcase of tracts distributed. Had privilege of presenting His work and speaking on "Evangelism."

Next night at Lena Baptist Church—Sunday school workers annual meeting. Great spirit. Folks after standard. Pastor A. A. Ward happy in the work.

Juniper Grove Baptist Church filled with folks in all-day W. M. U. Association meeting. Mrs. Lowell Stewart is superintendent. Inspiring occasion.

Pastor Ashworth leading in a fine way at Harmony, Pearl River County, where we were privileged to speak twice to interested groups. They give all offerings in June and December to Cooperative Program. Already twice as much for that as any previous year. It can be done, brethren!

Glad to help ordain two fine deacons at Spencer Memorial. Brother O. P. Estes, Picayune, preached a fine sermon. His work goes good. Pastor Holloway optimistic about his work.

Large prayer meeting group at Pascagoula. Spoke on "Building His Church." Pastor Day and his people vigorously pushing a great work.

Zion Sunday School Association brought a church house overflowing with folks. Superintendent Harvey radiant. Why not? Pastor Dorroh also happy. They started this association with thirteen Sunday schools and now have twenty-six. Good fellowship! What a dinner! Spoke on "Growing a New Testament Church."

Good evening congregation at Calhoun City. Pastor Siler baptized over 40 from revival. Dr. R. G. Lee preached. Additions Sunday after Sunday since. Fine spirited pastor and great folks. Doxology!

VIII

We have enjoyed a steady and increasing stream of visitors to this office for these last months. Christian fellowship to us has never been finer. It makes us regret to miss a single office visitor.

However, we see thousands of the brothers and sisters while on trips out into various fields. How hospitable they are! Doxology!

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A meeting began in 38th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, July 6, and will continue through the thirteenth. Pastor Wayne Todd is being assisted by Rev. W. E. Hellen of Bogalusa. J. T. Smith is in charge of the singing. Sunday was Every Femily Day, with the purpose of having all the family.

## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."



Baptist Record Day at Blue Mountain. Poring through the pages of the Record are, left to right: Justice of the Peace Bennett, Shoe Repairman Lindley, and Merchant Gurney. Messrs Bennett and Gurney could not wait until their wives had finished their Records; so they are sharing Mr. Lindley's copy.

The gentlemen in the picture are members of the Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church at Blue Mountain. This church went 36 percent beyond its goal. Incidentally, the church adopted the E. F. Plan three years ago. (The usual good report from an E. F. Church.—A. L. G.)

Mt. Olive Comes In

On Sunday morning we explained the EVERY FAMILY Plan to the Mt. Olive Baptists. They approved it and adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

How It Was Done

- 1. WE ADVOCATED the plan. We showed that churches use the EVERY FAMILY Plan for other things, like quarterlies, etc. We presented proof from churches that now have the EVERY FAMILY Plan showing that it works.
- 2. The Pastor, Rev. R. R. Brigance, APPROVED the plan. He told the church that Record reading Baptists were more likely to line up with a progressive plant. He "hinted" that he hoped they would adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan.
- 3. The church APPROVED it. One brother moved to adopt. Another seconded the motion. Fifty-four people voted "aye" and none voted "no" and Mt. Olive was added to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan.

All the organizations are doing good work under capable leaders. They are: R. E. Day, Sunday school superintendent; Ernest Polk, B. T. U. director; Mrs. G. W. Dossett, W. M. U. president; G. C. McAlpin, Brotherhood president, and E. T. Flynt, choir director.

The church building debt has been reduced to \$5,500 and refinanced in order to make the yearly payments smaller.

Covington County now has Record readers listed as follows: MT. OLIVE 80; COLLINS 78; LEAF RIVER 34; R. F. D. Mt. Olive 4; ORA 10; SALEM 96; SANFORD 28; SEMINARY 57; Pleasant Grove 2.

Wiggins

War or no war the Wiggins Baptists are determined to have a new church building. The grading has been done and the foundation is being built. Pastor N. J. Lee looks ten years younger since the building started. The building plan is well adapted to take care of all the activities of the church. No detail has been overlooked. Even the landscaping is being planned for.

Stone County's Record subscribers are listed as follows: Big Level 1; PERKINSTON 39; Wiggins 2

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# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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#### THE KING'S DAUGHTER

"The King's Daughter is all glorious within." Psalms 45:13a.

It has been a genuine inspiration to see the enthusiastic response of nearly six hundred Junior G. A's and their counselors to this theme, and to the program for their District Camps. A banner with the words, "The King's Daughter," has been in evidence in each of the seven camps, and has come to hold added significance during the threeday periods of mission study, recreation, methods conferences, and inspirational meetings. Each camper has seen the challenge of growth into the winsome, radiant personality of a child of the King, and each has felt the thrill of a share in the purposes of the Kingdom.

During June, camps have been held for Junior G. A's in seven of the eight districts of Missispi. The average attendance for each of the three-day periods has been about eighty, with a total registration of five hundred and seventy, including representatives of eighty-seven towns and one hundred and twenty-one churches. The district leaders who have directed camps during this time are Mrs. A. B. Wood of Forest, Mrs. H. B. Longest of Fernwood, Mrs. E. T. Harvey of Liberty, Mrs. W. W. Gunn of Charleston, and Mrs. Silas Cooper of Tupelo, assisted by Miss Ruth Kirk, State W. M. U. field worker, and the following consecrated teachers and speakers: Misses Edna Ruth Rea, Polly Love, and Dorothy Wilson of the W. M. U. Training School in Louisville, Kentucky; Miss Viola Woods of Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, Louisiana; and Miss Ruth Garcia of Buenos Aires, Argentina, and student at Blue Mountain College.

Each phase of the camp program has had a definite missionary emphasis, from morning worship and remembrance of the missionaries on the daily Calendar of Prayer, through the mission study classes, conferences, addresses, and recreational folk songs, and games, closing with the evening camp-fire services and friendship circles. In each camp a love-offering has been taken for China relief, totaling altogether more than twenty-five dollars.

Personal evangelism has had greater emphasis than ever before in the District Junior G. A. Camps. During quiet talks and prayer with counselors and teachers, many have sought and found the King. In the closing consecration services, more than thirty-five girls have made definite professions of their faith, many have reconsecrated their lives and efforts to His service, and a large number have expressed a desire for definite mission service. Thus, as the King's Daughters, have they accepted the challenge of the vast world Kingdom.

An annual feature of the Camps is the Coronation Service, in which recognition is given to those girls who have fulfilled the requirements for each of the Forward Steps in the organization. During the recent camps of this summer, seventeen Queens were recognized and given crowns as a symbol of having attained the highest step. Also receiving recognition were thirty-four princesses, and more than one hundred each of ladies-inwaiting and maidens. Assisting in these impressive services were associational young people's leaders, counselors, and in District Three, Mrs. Ned Rice, State President of Woman's Missionary Union.

Counselors and campers alike have seen the value and inspiration of the District Junior G. A. Camps. They have returned to their homes challenged and uplifted by their experiences of fellowship, information, and inspiration in the common purpose of being as "King's Daughters, all glorious" Lawrence Moore, all members of the Sunbcams. 与特点似识别都在安慰政府的 Ruth Kirk.

From one of the counselors of Junior Camps: We faced our Junior G. A. Camps very prayerfully, realizing that many opportunities would come to us to-witness for Christ. How grateful we were that God had seen fit to trust us with this privilege! Someone has truthfully said, "With each opportunity there comes an equal responsi-

bility." I think that each one of us felt this very keenly as we faced each camp.

Our camp theme was "The King's Daughter." What a theme! What a challenge to us as well as to the girls! Throughout our camps this theme was constantly before us-not only in word, but in spirit, too. Each assembly was a period of sweet fellowship through songs, prayer, and meditation. At the close of each day, the various groups met with their counselors and engaged in a period of family worship. These periods were left to the counselors to conduct as they felt led. Special emphasis was placed upon our camp theme, which was interwoven with a simple presentation of the Plan of Salvation. Many beautiful and impressive responses were heard from our girls. How our hearts thrilled to each of these!

At our last service in each camp, we experienced a period of praise, prayer, and meditation. At this service, our camp pastor brought an evangelistic message that was a challenge to each of us to give our best to Christ who gave His all for us. Our purpose in presenting the Plan of Salvation to these girls was not to seek to enlist them for membership in some church. We love them and we were and are interested in their souls. We do not know how many of these girls we may have helped, nor just how much help we may have been to them, but we are happy that we do know that God has been with us. Our efforts have been for His Glory, but what a joy it has been to work with these girls, and at the same time, serve our Master as He would have us serve Him. So many blessings have come to us in this work.

Girls of our state, remember we have a wonderful task and it has been given to us. No one else can do your work but you-and no one can do my work but me. Let us not disappoint our Master by failing to de our best! Let us prove ourselves worthy of our title of "The King's Daughter."

Leaders of our Girl's Auxiliary members, accept our challenge to you to keep this ideal before them. Help them to grow in word, in deed, and in thought as true Daughters of The King. What greater opportunity can one ask for? John 10:10. Viola Woods.

#### Girls Of Auxiliary Crowned Queens At Impressive Ceremony

Sunday night in a simple but beautifully impressive service seven girls of Arkabutla were crowned Queen in Girl's Auxiliary in the Baptist church. The church, lighted by white candles in tiered candelabra was artistically decorated with Queen Ann's lace and water lilies in tall baskets. Miss Virginia Sheffield, pianist, rendered several numbers at the beginning of the program. Rev. E. C. Horton, pastor, was in charge of the devotional. In her able way, Mrs. L. V. Edwards, leader of Young People's work in Tate County, gave an interesting and instructive talk on the work, explaining how a member of the Girl's Auxiliary may become a Queen. Five members of Junior G. A., Frances Moore, Virginia Spier, Marilyn Marsh, Geneva Woolfolk and Margie Ann Jones gave the colors, watchword, aim, hymn and allegiance of the G. A.

Moline Cooper, Sybil Hemphill, Marie Wade and Willie May Jentry lighted the candles. Flower girls were Virginia Erle Jones and Shirley Ann Thornton, and heralds were Robert Earl Spier and may forward them to Dallas.

The girls to be crowned were Marie Spier, Julia May and Eugenia Jones, Laura Emily Moore, La-

verne Sheffield, Virginia Patrick and Marcelene Darby, wearing white evening dresses and corsages of gladiolas and carrying Bibles with showers of white ribbons and tiny buds, walked down the aisle, knelt at the feet of Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. H. R. Moore, president of W. M. U., and received their crowns. With Mrs. W. E. Hughey, their leader, the queens sang the G. A. Hymn, "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations." The service closed with a prayer led by Mrs. Edwards.

The alumnae of the W. M. U. Training School will hold a Home-coming in the new building at 2801 Lexington Road, Louisville, Sept. 9-12. All members of the Alumnae Association are invited to attend. A letter has been sent to each one, giving detailed information concerning program, expenses, etc. It is possible that some members did not receive the letter because of incorrect address. Anyone not having received it is asked to write the Alumnae Office at the School, giving her correct address. Full information will be sent immediately. BR-

#### IT GROWS

The Convention Ministers Retirement Plan is proving more and more popular with ministers of all ages throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. Why? Because (1) it provides for the preacher when he may no longer be able to provide for himself; (2) it recognizes the responsibility of the local churches and the denomination to preachers of retirement age; and (3) the cost to each participant is so small that no pastor need remain out of the plan for financial reasons.

Write me if you need further information. If you understand the plan, act today and send me your application that I may forward it to the Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas.

> D. A. McCall, Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi.

BR YOU ARE INVITED

At the Southern Baptist Convention in Birmingham, the following resolution by the Social Service Commission was passed:

"III, 5. That we recognize it as the high privilege and inescapable duty of the several religious denominations to provide a suitable and adequate fund for social security of all their employees, clerical and other. That this Convention shall recognize this principle and shall continue to enlarge its work through the Relief and Annuity Board, in cooperation with the several state conventions, and that such adequate provision shall be made for all who serve with our Baptist churches and denominational agencies."

These are words of wisdom. I would urge every Baptist church and institution in the state to pay arnest heed to them. The resolution was passed, unanimously, because our people recognize the fact they should provide social security for their own instead of depending on the Government to do so. Pressure is being brought to bear, even by some religious groups, to bring their workers under the Federal Social Security Act. Baptists believe this link with the Government, however laudatory it may be considered by some, would violate their time-honored tenet of the separation of church and state.

Let every church and every pastor in the state not now participating in the Ministers Retirement Plan take this forward-looking step during July, if possible. Send your applications to me that I

Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi.

# THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST NOW CLUB

FRANK E. SKILTON, General Chairman

A PROGRAM OF PERSEVERANCE

#### VICTORY INVIGORATES

Jackson, Miss., July 2-Preliminary reports on the intensification phase of the Mississippi Baptist Now Club indicate its purpose has been accomplished. Chairmen have been secured for 1351 churches, the 270,000 Mississippi Baptists have been thoroughly informed on the bonded debt situation, and 403 churches have underwritten \$186,427 of the \$525,900 sought.

The follow-through phase or the Now Club will begin August 1st and will last three years if necessary. This will be a continuous, sustained effort and will continue until the \$525,900 is paid. The 2375 church chairmen, under the leadership of the 700 Baptist pastors will follow through until the goals are paid. It is expected that most of the churches will pay their goals in less than three years. Many plan to pay them by November of this year since a dollar paid this year will save sixty cents in interest.

About eighty percent of the Baptist churches in Mississippi are rural churches and 888 of these have only one church service per month, while 411 have only two services per month. There are 160 full-time Baptist churches in the state. Some of these plan to pledge their goals in July, August, September, October and November; so they will be over the top by the meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention November 11. Hundreds of churches that have not finished their goals are working on them this week and many of these are expected to complete them by Sunday.

The First Baptist Church of Jackson has \$17,000 of its \$20,000 goal underwritten. The First Church, Hattiesburg, plans to pay its entire goal this year. . The First Church, Laurel, intends to put the goal in its budget.

Churches reporting their goals pledged to June 29, with names of pastors and church chairmen are shown below, arranged by Associa-

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# Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By BRACEY GAMPBELL

Lesson for July 13 CHRISTIANITY EXPANDS IN ASIA Lesson Assignment: Acts 19-21

Introduction. Put this paper down and read all of all three of these chapters. Notice how God is moving through Paul and his company to make Jesus known in the thronging cities of Asia Minor. Now stay the attention for a while on the labors of Paul in Ephesus. Now open your Bible at Revelation 2:1-7, and read the message of the Lord by John through the pastor to the church at Ephesus, and see what you can learn concerning the Ephesians from this letter. Were they an earnest people? Were they zealous? warm hearted? quick to act? Were they fickle? changeable? What was it they needed to do when the Lord by John sent them this message? Now turn back to Acts 19:1; 20:5, and read this passage again. See what you can learn of the Ephesians from this chapter in addition to what you have learned from the' message in Revelation 2:1-7. Now let us turn attention to Paul in his labors for the Lord in Ephesus.

I. Completing an Unfinished Word. Acts 19:1-7.

Paul found some men who had been instructed only in part. What they had learned was the truth, but it was incomplete truth as to the way of salvation. He set about completing the circle of instruction as to the way of life. His effort issued in success, for the twelve men who had been incompletely instructed came to know and accept the whole truth as to the right way.

II. Continuing from a Good Beginning. Vv. 8-10.

"He went into the synagogue." There is where the scriptures were kept, and in them was the testimony of the prophets concerning the Christ. For three months Paul continued to meet with such people as attended his teachings and to lead in discussions concerning the kingdom of God. Of course he was arguing all the while that the Messiah, the Christ, foretold in the prophesies Jesus of Nazareth.

"Divers were hardened and befieved not." They were doubtless the Jews who could not get the idea of a suffering Messiah, and would not listen with any degree of credence to any representation of their Messiah as a man of sorrows and acquainted with griefs. So Paul had left him no choice except to lead such as believed on Jesus out of the synagogue to a place where they would be free from molestation by the opposition. In this chosen place, by one Tyrannus, Paul kept a school of Christian philosophy for two years, during which time people from all over the Roman province of Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus.

Take a leaf out of Paul's book on the wisdom of doing the best one can when he can not do what he would rather. Given his choice, Paul would doubtless have continued teaching in the synagogue. It was an institution with which he was familiar. The

people were his own Jewish people; they had the scriptures; but Paul had to learn that God's plan for his life ran counter to his own thought as to what was best for him. How many men are there who never learn this! Let one of them go the way he wants, and he may go quite a distance. Stop him from advancing in the direction he wants to go, and you stop him altogether. But wisdom says, "When you can not do the thing you think best, do the next best thing, knowing that it may be God's best for you."

III. The Spirit of God Approving Paul. Vv. 11?22.

Paul is in a new city to Christianity, a city where people believed in wonders wrought by power divine. They believed that the idol of Diana, in the famous temple in their city had fallen down from heaven. Was the God whom Paul proclaimed as wonderful as that? The God of Paul met that question and challenge by endowing Paul with the authority to cast out evil spirits from demonized people, and to heal the sick of what disease they had.

The evil spirits know the power to which they must yield obedience. They know Who can master them. When false ones come and try to acquire power over them, they rebel against such effort and strike terror to the hearts of those who falsely try to wield the power of God.

You have seen them, haven't you? Men and women in the pulpit and out of it, who try to assume the functions of the servants of the Almighty. How many of them have you known to succeed finally?

IV. The Spirit of Commercialism Offended in Christ. Vv. 19:23-20:7.

The old story over again. The advancement of cause of true religion, the heightening and spread of the spirit of vital godliness interferes with the godless business of those who would make spoil of men, and there is trouble and persecution of the forces of righteousness. Never does Christ interfere with legitimate business. He never demands that you give up a thing you ought to have. But if you have something you ought not to have, if you are doing something you ought not to do, He will interfere with it.

#### -BR-HEUCK'S RETREAT

The Heuck's Retreat Baptist Church held its first Vacation Bible School May 26-30. The school was under the able supervision of Miss Clara Mae Edwards. She had as helpers the following:

Mrs. Earl Goodwin, Intermediate

Mrs. C. N. Floyd, Junior teacher. Mrs. J. T. Jaurneay, Primary

Mrs. L. A. Blackwell, Beginner

Mrs. Alma Nordan and Mrs. Cody a school of heathen philosophy kept Weeks assisted as secretary and gen-

There were 43 children enrolled during the week. The children and teachers manifested much interest, and voted unanimously for another next year.

> Mrs. L. A. Blackwell, Reporter

MAN BRUS Missionaries of the Home Mission Board led over 5,000 people to Christ last year.

#### PARADISE

I wrote an article sometime ago in answer to a query from a good friend. In your paper of June 12, Bro. J. E. Lowe of Crystal Springs takes issue. I did not write the article as controversial and do not intend to get into an argument but in order that Bro. Lowe may get the true perspective as I only got it when I began to prepare the article and thus magnify the name of our Lord more, I am writing this.

Acts 4:10-12 tells us, There is no other name under heaven among men whereby we must be saved except Jesus Christ. John 20:31 tells us that we may have life through His name. Jesus was not named until the angel appeared to Mary. How could a person be saved in that name when there was no such name? Genesis 3:24 tells us that God drove man out of the garden and placed cherubims and a flaming sword which turned every way to keep the way of the tree of life.

There was no other way to get to the tree of life until Christ opened another gate or door by His sacrificial death and the only way a person can get in that door is through the name of Jesus Christ and He was not named until just before He was born. Adam had a testament from God but he lost his inheritance because of unbelief and through him all the human race lost. Christ said, I am the mediator of a New Testament or will. Now any person at all acquainted with law knows that no person can have an inheritance until the testator or man making the will dies, so though people believed God and had followed Him they could not have been saved until Christ died. There of necessity must be a place for those who believed God to stay until the Testator (Jesus Christ) died so that they could get the inheritance of eternal life. Christ recognized this in the story of the rich man and Lazarus. Brother Lowe brings out the statement that heaven is paradise and paradise is heaven and quotes Christ's statement to the thief on the cross as proof. Christ said "today thou shalt be with me in paradise." Now turn to John 20:17, and find Christ saying three days later to Mary "Touch me not: for I am not yet ascended to my Father." Certainly paradise was not heaven or Christ would have been in heaven with the Father on the day he spoke to the thief. Brother Lowe is correct that there is no paradise now for the Testator has died and the inheritance is waiting for all who become God's children through belief on the name of Jesus Christ. Christ's spirit went to paradise for the three days His body was in the tomb and when He came back and got His body, He told Mary that He had not yet ascended. I Peter 3:18-20 tells us that Christ went and preached to spirits in prison and tells that they were in the time of Noah. It also says that He went and preached after He had been put to death. We know He went to paradise as He told the thief and we

know that He had not yet ascended three days later. We know that He went about teaching and preaching, so as Peter said He preached to the souls waiting for their redemption. Brother Lowe cites Enoch as one

who was saved before Christ. The

Bible says "And Enoch was not." He

did not have to go through death but He could have been saved and gone to heaven; unless the New Testament passages I quoted in the beginning are untrue. He also cites Elijah as having been saved. Now Brother Lowe is correct about the three heavens and the heaven that Elijah was carried up into is the first heaven where the moon and stars are as that is where whirlwinds cease to exist. Paul tells us very plainly in Hebrews that no one could receive the inheritance until Jesus Christ died, Hebrews 9:15-28, therefore no one was saved before Christ came. Why? The Testator had to die. 2. Only way given under heaven among men is to believe on the name of Jesus Christ. Christ was not named until just before his birth. 3. The gate was closed and guarded by cherubims and two edged sword. Christ by His death opened another gate or door. He said, I am the

Blessed be the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in whom, and by whom we have access to the tree of life. Looking forward to the death of a person does not give the inheritance to a person, he must wait until the testator dies. Those who believed God before Christ had to wait until He died to have a door through which they could have access to the tree of life. The place of abode was paradise. Hell was the portion of all who did not believe God in the Old Testament as now.

J. A. Thigpen.

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Ellen: "Home is the dearest spot on earth after all."

Earnest: "Yes, when you count the rent and servants' wages."







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# Sunday School Department

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#### Two Mississippians

The writer of the worship programs for the Young People's department, appearing in the Young People's and Adult magazine each month, is Mrs. Martha Story Watson, of Laurel, and the writer of the worship programs of the Adult department is Mrs. J. H. Street, of Durant.

We are indeed proud of the splendid service these two fine and capable Mississippi ladies are rendering for the Young People's and Adult departments over the entire South in the excellent programs of worship they are giving us.

#### Send Them In

The Vacation Bible school reports are coming in at a rapid rate. That is just the thing to do as soon as the school closes; send in the report while the facts and figures are fresh in mind, and while the work of the school is still well remembered. But, be sure and send in the report so that your school will be among that great group of churches having schools in 1941.

Blanks for making reports will be gladly sent on request.

In speaking of the Vacation schools, we are hearing so many of the people having schools this year say that they are having the best ones ever. The previous experience, the excellent books the additional material, good planning, all contribute to better schools as the years pass. But we are happy over the very excellent schools that are being promoted this year.

There is still ample time yet to have your school. Many are held in July and August. If you need books, write us; we may be able to help you out in this. We still have a few yet to lend if needed.

#### Miss Leatherwood

Miss Mattie C. Leatherwood, of the Elementary Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., was recently elected to membership in the Eugene Field Society (a national literary organization) because of her distinct contribution to children's literature in the production of the book, SONGS WE SING FROM THREE TO SIX.

Although Miss Leatherwood was to retire on January 1, the Sunday School Board, in its June meeting, requested that she continue to serve with the Department of Elementary Sunday School Work during 1942. We rejoice in this extension of her active service with the Department.

#### Your Standard

Many schools, departments, and classes lack only one or two points being standard. Why not make a careful check-up on this, call the short points to the attention of the workers, urge them to put for a little more effort to pull them up, and then fill out the blank and make application for the award that goes with this good program of work.

It will help all to lead them def-

# BAPTIST BIBLE INSTITUTE ITEMS President W. W. Hamilton,

New Orleans, Louisiana

The Institute was founded 24 years ago, in 1917, by the Southern Baptist Convention.

Last session, 1940-41, there were 266 students enrolled from 17 states and five foreign countries.

There were 150 ministerial stujents, 71 taking Christian training courses, 34 special, and 11 graduate students.

To this should be added the 135 from 20 states who took correspondence work in 12 courses.

No money has been borrowed for operating expenses. Total debt is now down to \$145,000 (formerly the debt was \$353,000).

The Institute continues to have a great place in the hearts and history and prayers and gifts of Southern Baptists.

The fellowship is that of a large family. Faculty and students are together in study and activities and in faith and prayer.

We pray God to send to us those who should come, and to keep from us any who would not be an honor to our Lord's cause.

Practical activities embrace personal and city and state and home and foreign work. Week-end missionary journeys are helpful and fruitful.

The Negro Seminary enrollment has increased to 178. The teaching is done largely by Institute professors and advanced students as missionary work.

The music department has a new home donated by Dr. James E. Gwatkin, and is in charge of Prof. E. O. Sellers and Prof. E. L. Carnett and Mrs. E. L. Crosby.

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The word "Institute" (as the word University) includes a number of schools, such as Theology, English Bible, Missions, Religious Education, Music, Church Secretaryship, Baptist Student Union.

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Thirty-seven families are represented in the fifty-four children enrolled in the Mexican Kindergarten taught by Mrs. Consuelo del Castillo, Home Board Missionary, twenty-two of them being Catholic.

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#### WATCH AND PRAY AND WORK

In your publication of June 5th the statement was made that there were 363 churches in Mississippi which so far as reports show, gave nothing to any cause last year outside of their own church. This is appalling, to say the least.

My husband was a pastor for about 45 years mostly of churches in Mississippi. I was a fellow worker. He went to his heavenly home nearly eight years ago. In his lifetime some of our older and more experienced preachers would say sometimes that the pastor was the key to the church. He felt that expression was exaggerated. I did not feel so certain about it. Since his going I visit my children who are scattered from the Gulf to the Great Lakes. I always find a church the first Sunday and work with the members while I am in their city. I have my Baptist Record follow or precede me when I make a change. I rarely ever miss going to Sunday School and preaching. I read and study God's Word daily, I read and study my Record. I study the teaching and preaching in each church I attend. I hear much reading and preaching over the radio. I pray God's blessings on all these means of serving. I pray more especially for my native state, Mississippi. I rejoice greatly over the progress of the churches that make such good reports in the Record. Sometimes I get so happy over the manifestations of His spirit I praise His name aloud and weep for joy.

I have noticed the steady increase in the forward movements in the churches. They seem to begin with the Bible 'Schools (Vacation), the Every Member Record, study and reading and many good books studied in S. S., church, B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. It seems the churches are studying to show themseleves approved of God. Who starts all this study and reading? My dear brother pastor, my heart goes out to you and I do not want you to think I'm severe but I believe after over fifty years of observation, work and prayer that YOU Brother, are the KEY TO YOUR CHURCH and furthermore, that it is YOU who MUST open the door or it will stay closed until you get out of the way and let someone take your place who has a vision for God's people and will PRAY and work until He can unlock that door and feed His members on the bread of life until they are able to KNOW God's COMMANDS and DO THEM. Study, pray and explain God's Word so the least can understand. Teach them with the Record what and how others are doing. Give and you can't keep your church from giving. Never mind your salary. It will come. It will take much prayer-Matt. 21:23-for wisdom but God in James 1:5, has promised it. It will require much study both on your part and your church's part. It will require work and you may have to visit other churches that are doing so much for God and learn how to do it yourself. You can get help from our state board who will help you and show you how to lead your people to do better and greater things for the Lord. Start now while you can. We do not know what tomorrow may bring.

One who loves God, His ministers,

#### WALLERVILLE D. V. B. S.

The dream of a Vacation Bible School at our church located in the country has been realized. School opened Monday, June 23d, with 48 present and the attendance grew until we reached an enrollment of 64 with an average attendance of 54.

Miss Marguerite Hill of Blue Mountain very efficiently directed with the following local workers helping: Intermediate Department, Mrs. Loyce Henry and Mrs. Fredrick Sloan; Junior Department, Misses Marie Gammell and Eula Mae Armstrong; Beginners and Primary Department, Mrs. L. L. Coleman, Misses Ruby Funk and Katie B. Armstrong.

On Sunday before the school began Dr. W. C. Tyler, our pastor, gave a splendid message on "Christ's Attitude Toward Children." He also urged the parents to send their children and they did respond for which we are thankful. The children showed evidence that they enjoyed it by voting 100% to have a D. V. B. S. next year.

Each day from 2 o'clock until 5 o'clock in the afternoon the time was profitably used for Bible Study, a recreation period and hard work.

For the 10 Juniors and Intermediates who accepted Christ, these will be red letter days in their lives.—Reporter.

# I WOULD PASS IT TO PREACHERS AND UNBELIEVERS—A BOOK By L. R. Scarborough

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I have just read a remarkable book of sermons—or rather, my wife read it to me as I rested in the coolest place in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas, the sleeping porch of my log cabin in a beautiful citrus orchard. Listening to this volume of ten soulstirring sermons by Dr. R. C. Campbell, Columbia, South Carolina, was one of the most charming and inspiring periods of my ministry.

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My dear children,

You have not told us all we want to hear about how you are spending these vacation months. Some of you have had interesting trips. Some have been enjoying swimming, others reading good books, maybe some have have been having parties and picnics, or entertaining friends. Besides these things, there are your Daily Vacation Bible Schools, and many useful things at home that you can learn to do. I feel sure some of you have been helping with the canning and preserving, as well as learning to do other cooking. Or maybe you have tried your hand at sewing, or house cleaning, or hoeing. The world is full of things to do and learn. I hope you will write us about some of the things you have been filling your time with. Why, no one has even mentioned the good watermelons that I'm sure you have been having. And they are a big part of our "good old summer time." We are waiting to hear. With love,

Mrs. Frances Steele.

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Elijah's Weakness and the Cure When Jezebel heard the things that Elijah had done, and how he put to death all the false prophets she was terribly angry. She sent word to Elijah saying, "So may my gods do to me and worse, if tomorrow by this time you are not as one of those prophets whom you killed." Then Elijah, who had fearlessly faced the enemies of God and overcome them, trembled at the anger of this wicked woman. He was afraid and ran away. He went as far as Beersheba, a city on the farthest border of Judah, and left his servant there, but he went still further, a day's journey into the wilderness, and dropped down under a juniper tree, worn out, discouraged, and praying to die. Lying there under the juniper tree, he fell asleep. An angel touched him, waked him, and bade him rise and eat. He looked, and there on some coals was a cake of meal, and a cruse of water stood at his head. He ate and drank and again fell asleep. Again the angel waked him and bade him eat saying that the journey ahead was too much for him. After he had eaten and drunk he went for forty days until he came to Mt. Horeb. He found a cave and went in to stay there, but the Lord spoke to him, asking. "What are you doing here, Elijah?" Elijah answered, "I am very jealous for the Lord God, for the children of Israel have torn down your altars, killed your prophets and they are seeking me to kill me." The Lord said, "Come out on the mount." And the Lord passed by; and there was a great vind that tore the mountain and broke the rocks, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake that shook the ut the Lord earthquake; after the earthquake came a fire but the Lord was not in the fire. After the fire, came a still small voice. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak for he knew he was in the presence of God and came out to the edge of the cave. Again the Lord asked him, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' Elijah answered, "The children of Israel have torn down your altars and have killed your prophets with the sword. I only am left, and they seek my life to destroy it." But the Lord told Elijah that he was not the only one left, for there were seven thousand in Israel who had not bowed the knee to worship Baal. He commanded Elijah to come out of the cave and to return to Israel, naming special things for him to do. Elijah arose and went immediately

to obey God's command, returning to the service of the Lord.

Winona, Miss., Rt. 1, Box 77

June 27, 1941. Dearest Mrs. Steele:

I enjoy reading your circle, but am most particularly interested in the Bible readings and questions. I have memorized the first Psalm, the hundred and fiftieth Psalm, the fourteenth chapter of John, and am learning more. I have read through the New Testament, and have read lots in the old Bible. I would be very thankful if your could send me any pamphlets, papers, or books concerning the Bible. I read it over and over and enjoy it more eevry time. Yours sincerely,

Chloe Fielder. Chloe, your Bible study is really worth while. The reading and memorizing ought to be a blessing to you always. I shall try to send you one of the outlines for daily Bible reading when I get some more.-F. L. S.

> Magee, Mississippi June 30, 1941.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

It's been a long time since I had a letter in the Children's Circle. I was a little boy three months old then but I am a big boy thirteen and a half months old now. I am glad I am a member of the circle and would like for some other little boys to join and write me a letter. I am enclosing an offering. I'm sorry I missed last month.

Love, Little Buck Morgan. Little Buck, you really are a big boy now, and growing all the time. We are proud of this fine letter from you and grateful for the gift. We'll divide it so that it can help the children at the orphanage and the scholarship too.—F. L. S.

Wayesboro, Mississippi June 28, 1941.

Dear Mrs. Steele: Here we are again with one dollar, from the Intermediate Department of the Waynesboro church. Please apply fifty cents to the orphanage and fifty cents to our B. B. I. student. We are also buying song books for our will offering. With love, for our Department out of our free

Mrs. Mauldin,

Department Secretary. We are certainly glad that you are we are certainly glad that you are here again, Intermediates. If you ever failed us, you would be sorely missed. We sincerely appreciate you and your gift. Won't you be proud of those new song books! I have no doubt the songs will be sweeter because of them. cause of them .- F. L. S.

Florence, Mississippi June 27, 1941.

Dear Mrs. Steele: Find inclosed one dollar, our offering for the month of June. Please send fifty cents to the orphanage and fifty cents to our B. I. girl.

With best wishes, we are Intermediate Girls of Steen's Creek Sunday School.

We are very grateful for our In-termediate Girls of the Steen's Creek Sunday School; and we are contin-ually grateful to them for their faithfulness in their help to the Children's Circle causes. We are saying "thank you" to each one of you.-F. L. S.

> Columbia, Mississippi June 30, 1941

Dear Mrs. Steele: We had our Vacation Bible School and had such a good time. We are inclosing our offering from our V. B. S. with our offering from our Story Hour this month. We want you to give five dollars to the Or-

phanage and five dollars to our B. B. I. girl. A lot of us attended the District B. T. U. Convention at Prentiss last week. One of the girls, Jeancy Ann Kyzar, was on the program. She told a story for our Story Hour. All of us had such a good time. We heard two missionaries speak, Dr. and Mrs. Strother. They were fine.

Yours sincerely, Myra Carmichael, President.

Young folks, your letter and check are almost equal to a visit from Santa Claus. We surely appreciate your letting your Vacation Bible School offering go to the causes sponsored by the Children's Circle. It is a joy to use it as you request. We wish we could have heard Jeancy Ann tell her story at the convention. -F. L. S.

Shelby, Miss. June 30, 1941

Dear Mrs. Steele: At our last meeting of the G. A., we voted to send \$2.00 to you for the Baptist Orphanage, which I am enclosing. We have an enrollment of eighteen. Miss Dixie Pattie is our leader. When our last meeting was over we had a G. A. party.

Sincerely yours, Girls' Auxiliary of Shelby Baptist Church,

Mildred Smith, Treasurer. Thank you, girls, for this most helpful gift. You must have an ex-cellent organization with a large membership and many worthy things fun, too, as you have parties too. May you live long and prosper.—F.

> Olive Branch, Miss. June 30, 1941.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I am sending my Jeannie Lipsey Club dues for May and June. June has been a busy month-the first week we had a B. T. U. study course, then Vacation Bible School and our revival. Beginning next week we will be in a Vacation Bible School at Center Hill. On the eighteenth I am going on Mr. Earl Clark's bus to Ridgecrest to the B. T. U. assembly. In writing to Mr. Clark for reservation on his bus I find he is the brother of the late Ernest Clark, who used to write such interesting letters to the Children's page, and the father of little Carolyn Clark. I feel as if I already knew him, and I hope L will meet other friends of the Bap-

tist Record on my trip.

With love,
Fannie Mae Henley.

Fannie Mae, what a busy time you had, and what a delightful trip you are planning. I hope it is everything that you expect it to be, and more. You will probably find old friends and make new ones, too. We are certainly grateful for your club dues. They will help supply a real need. Thank you.—F. L. S.

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Anna Campbell	.10
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Church of Greenwood  S. S. class, Ellison Ridge Bap-	1.50
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Billie Burt	.50
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Little Buck Morgan	.25
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# Baptist Training Union

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#### Friday, July 11, Begins Clinic For Summer Training Union Workers

Our five weeks of special summer works begins Sunday, July 13th. On Friday 11th we will conduct a clinic for these workers who have volunteered their services, nearly fifty of them. They will be divided into two groups for the clinic, one group meeting as guests of the Magee church, the other group in Grenada. The clinic will be Friday and Saturday morning and out from these two places the teams of eight will go to their first engagement. Five associations will be served each of five weeks. In addition to this program there will be other workers who will be serving in other associations thus increasing the number of workers, associations and churches reached. The five associations to be served the week beginning July 13th are Simpson, Jones, Lawrence, Grenada and Monroe. Yalobusha will also have workers for that week. Let your prayers include these young people as they go out in His name with the hope of being a blessing.

#### Drew Organizes B. A. U.

We are indebted to Mrs. Mary Ola Allen, Secretary of the newly organized B. A. U. at Drew for a good report of the union's activities. They have been organized only a few weeks starting off in the midst of the good old summer hot weather, and are making good as they continue to grow in numbers and efficiency. The officers are, President, Mrs. D. Oliver; Vice President, Mrs. A. C. Dennington; Devotional Leader, Mrs. R. H. Brewer; B. R. L., Mrs. A. O. Kimbrell; Secretary, Mrs. Mary Ola Allen; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. E. Spell; Group Captains, Mrs. E. E. Walker and Mrs. J. W. Starnes.

#### Briefs From the "Booster" Hinds-Warren B. T. U. Official Organ

A wedding of interest to this section of Mississippi took place on Saturday morning, June 21st at the First Baptist Church of Vicksburg when Miss Mary Virginia Bennett, Education Director for the Church, became the bride of Mr. Julius Grubbs, of Mendenhall and Vicksburg. Miss Bennett has been Educational Director for the past five years and has been a great factor in the development of the church during that time. Mr. Grubbs is connected with the U.S. Engineers at Vicksburg and is one of the outstanding young men of the city.

The Training Union as well as the whole church will lose one of the most enthusiastic workers when Mr. Stuart Ward leaves for Washington, where he will be connected with the Chief of Engineers Office. Mr. Ward has been Young People's Director for the past three years and has done a grand job of it. Just to show you how important he is here are a few of the things that he does: A deacon, teaches in the Intermediate Department of the Sunday School, sings in

the choir, Young People's Director of the Training Union, is head of one of the Mission Stations on the River, and then finds time to court a very pretty girl. Here is wishing him a world of success in the Capital City.

#### Utica Baptist Notes

WILDS B. A. U.

The Wilds Union is progressing nicely at this time and all the committees are at work. There are quite a few prospective members and a social has been planned for this month.

BROOME UNION

Uncle Sam has gotten his share of the Broome Union of Utica but nevertheless their friends in Union at home write them regularly.

The members of the Broome Union plan to visit the shut-ins and take flowers and fruit to them.

JUNIOR B. Y. P. U.

We are very proud that Julia Gonia, one of our Utica juniors, one of the contestants in the District B. T. U. Convention Junior memory work drill, making a perfect record. B. T. U.

The B. T. U. of Utica has five active unions which are all at work and hope to increase the enrollment in the future.

Celeste Foster, Reporter.

### Griffith Memorial Jackson

In our semi-annual study course this spring we tried a new plan of using our own workers as teachers. Our pastor, Rev. L. W. Ferrell, taught "The Fine Art of Soul Winning" to adults, a few weeks before he had taught "Honoring the Deaconship" to a group of men There were 90 awards to the adults. Mrs. L. W. Ferrell taught the Young People "Deepening the Spiritual Life"-30 awards. Mr. Vernal Stockstill taught the 15 and 16 year Intermediates, "Witnessing for Christ"-20 awards. Mrs. W. F. Owen, Jr., taught the 13 and 14 year Intermediates "Meaning of Church Membership"-36 awards. Mrs. J. M. Joffrion taught the 10 and 11 year Juniors "Trail Makers"-31 awards. Mrs. E. E. Parker taught Junior Manual-19 awards. Mrs. Roy Lundquist taught "The Junior and His Church"-21 awards.

May was enlistment month, the name of all members of Griffith church and the names of Baptists whose memberships were elsewhere had been secured from the census and divided by streets. A captain was selected for each street, and they in turn selected lieutenants for each block. Each person was visited and invited to the B. T. U. and to the revival.

June was "Better Program Month." Each department had the program and an award was offered the union securing the highest score in the department. They were graded on five points—paperless program, interesting Bible drill, every member on program present, reverence, program presented in interesting way.

On Thursday night, June 19th, the Excelsior and Criterion Unions—

#### THE APPEALS FOR HELP

If every Baptist in the South could sit at my desk and read the letters of appeal that come in from the chaplains in the camps and from our Baptist preachers whose churches are contiguous to the camps, their hearts would be moved mightily and the strings of their purses unloosed readily.

Let me given you a picture of what is taking place in more than a hundred communities. This picture is given in a letter from a pastor in Florida. His church is located close to a camp in which there are now twenty-five thousand men and later on will have practically twice that number. He says:

"Before the camp started we had a normal town, dependent on strawberries largely, with a population of about twenty-five hundred. Today the population is over seven thousand. Our church, like every other institution in the community, was not equal to the former task. Now about twenty-five thousand men from the south have come in here on us and we have a deep desire to send them back home, at least as good Baptists as when they came and, if possible, to send more and better Christian men.

"However, we are in ourselves wholly inadequate to meet the demands. Doing what we can we have had nearly one hundred additions in various ways, and among these many soldiers for baptism, but there are untold numbers around us and in the camp who are still our responsibility. The Catholics have just announced they will spend seventy thousand dollars for a church and chapel. They have never had a church here until now. The Methodists are ready to spend money for a recreation hall. The Presbyterians have furnished facilities for their pastor to work in the camp. The Episcopalians, with a membership of less than one hundred, have sent an assistant to the rector.

"I am aware until now the Home Mission Board was powerless, but after the action of the Convention on the report of the executive committee, I believe something can be done, and if I understand aright, it is to be done in Baptist churches such as ours which are close to the camps. I am sure the Board will be meeting shortly, and it will certainly be

"twins" of the young people's department, entertained at a farewell social for their counselors, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Owen, Jr., who left the next week to make their home in Tupelo, Miss. They presented them with a beautiful table lamp as a parting gift.

#### Two Churches Elect Directors

Beulah Church has elected Miss Annie Mary Hardy as director of the Training Union and Calvary church in Warren county, has elected Mrs. A. D. Ellison as their director. These two workers are well equipped for the work their churches have called them to, and will be able to promote and efficient program.

necessary, out of fairness to Baptist men in the camp here from Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Florida, to plan something for them. They do not stay in the camp. They want the contact of civilians and are anxious to worship in a church regardless of how many chapels are erected for them. Please give this your serious consideration."

These boys of ours who have been accustomed to going to Sunday school, B. T. U. and church services will want to continue that practice, and where Baptist churches are located contiguous to the camps it is the duty, the responsibility and the direct obligation of Southern Baptists to make those churches available and efficient in rendering service to our boys in camps.

This is only one part of our camp work. On the inside of the camps we work with the chaplains and there is much to do there, but let us not overlook the fact that there are seventy-five camps in the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention and at least two hundred Baptist churches contiguous to these camps which are today wholly inadequate in both their equipment and their personnel to serve the soldier boys who want to find a place of worship in a church on Sunday.

These churches must be helped so that they can serve our boys in the camps. For this and for the work in the camps the Home Mission Board and the state secretaries are appealing to Southern Baptists for \$300,000. No more worthy appeal was ever made to our people than this.

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On July 27 Southern Baptists will make their emergency offering for work in and near army camps, with a goal set at \$300,000.



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#### CALVARY CHURCH, WARREN COUNTY

Calvary Baptist Church, located on Highway No. 3 six miles east of Vicksburg, Miss., has just completed a successful two weeks' Daily Vacation Bible school and revival.

Each morning was entirely occupied with Bible school activities. The pastor, J. C. Murphy, was assisted by Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Walter Worthy, Mrs. Jensie Smith, Miss Sibyl and Miss Betty Davis and others. The school enrollment reached forty-five, with an average daily attendance of twenty-five members. The graduation program bore evidence of the valuable teaching received in this intensive training school. The pastor was on the field three weeks and valuable contacts were made by visiting in the interest of the church.

Each night the evangelistic message was brought by Gordon Sansing of Pelahatchie, Miss. His messages were both inspiring and instructive and the plan of salvation was clear and concise with no wasted wordage. There were thirteen additions by baptism and none by letter. On Sunday following the meeting the baptismal service was concluded at the First Baptist Church in Vicksburg after the regular morning service there.

The entire community has been benefitted by these services and its results will be felt for months to

Calvary church also had a study study course for the B. T. U., in May, at which time four visiting ministerial students assisted the pastor in the teaching faculty. These were Kelva Moore, with the Intermediates; Bernie Foy with the Juniors; Gaston Mooney and O'Thell Hand with the Young People and the pastor with the adults. Some had previously received diplomas and this time added a seal to the original diplomas. The course was well attended and several of the additions to the church during the revival made profession of faith at the close of the study course.

Devotionals for this course were brought by Gaston Mooney who took for the week's theme, "Building the Christian Life."

The church has been greatly blessed during the past year and though the pastor will be enrolled at Baptist Bible Institute this fall the work will continue under his leadership.

#### BR-COLLIER-LEAVELL

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Collier of Leland, Miss., announce the engagement of their daughter, Ava Burton, to Robert T. Bryan Leavell, son of Mrs. James B. Leavell and the late Dr. James B. Leavell of Houston,

Miss Collier is a graduate of Hillman College and Blue Mountain College. She is a granddaughter of the late Dr. A. C. Watkins, missionary to Mexico.

Mr. Leavell is a graduate of Baylor University and Southern Baptist Teological Seminary. He is a grandson of Dr. Robert T. Bryan, missionary to China.

The marriage will be solemnized at the Leland Baptist Church of Leland, Miss., July 17, 1941. Dr. J. B. Leavell, pastor of Leland Baptist Church, will officiate.

#### TOMBIGBEE R. A. CAMP

It was my privilege to serve as camp pastor for the Junior R. A. Camp which was held at Tombigbee Park June 23-25. Some of the greatest blessings I have ever received came as a result of this camp which was so well conducted by Mr. Ivy Loy Bishop, southwide R. A. leader, and lover of boys. Brother Bishop and his corps of helpers literally gave themselves unreservedly to the work of this camp. Some of his assistants were Mississippi College boys and their contribution was an honor to Mississippi College. The arrangements for the camp were under the direction of Mrs. S. B. Cooper, Tupelo, Young People's leader for the district.

I was informed that the enrollment was 109. At the concluding service there were 31 boys who made a public profession of faith in Christ as their personal Saviour. However, after dismissal they were asked to linger and give their names to the camp director so that he might contact their respective pastors regarding their actions at camp and 27 remained to comply with the request. These professions of faith must not be credited to the camp pastor, but rather to the wise and earnest efforts of Brother Bishop and the men who were assisting him as they laid siege to those lost souls for Christ.

Our desire is that more of our people will awake to the value of these Christian camps.

We had a great day at Pontotoc yesterday. We welcomed six members into our fellowship. Five of these were on a profession of faith.

Our revival begins Sunday. Brother McCall is the preacher. Brother Fred Scholfield is the singer. Pray that we might be used of the Lord as we labor together.

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#### WAYNE COUNTY YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY

i'here were over 200 who attended the Young People's Rally held in the Baptist Church at Waynesboro, June 26. An excellent devotional meeting marked the beginning of the session. Mrs. Esther Hudson introduced Rev. J. T. McCrae of Enterprise, who brought a great evangelistic message on Definite Christian Work. Mrs. J. R. Copeland spoke encouragingly to the young people. A nominating committee was appointed to select officers, reporting at the October rally. Rev. Billy Watson from Ellisville made an interesting talk on R. A. Work. Also on The Baptist Student Union. Mrs. Hudson spoke on A Call to Courage.

After lunch a good devotional period preceded an address by Mrs. G. W. Strother, a missionary from Interior China. She spoke on Women in China. She stirred our hearts as she told of the devotion and sacrifice among the Chinese people. many of whom are perishing of hunger. After her address people came forward to express their appreciation of her remarks.

This proved to be one of the best days in the history of our church. Mrs. E. Hudson.

BR-What is a hedge-hog, a fruit or a vegetable?

Well, you'll have to admit that its parents were a prickly pear.

#### Letters That Tug at the Heart From Pastors in Communities Near Military Training Camps

Letters from pastors all over the South indicate the great spiritual need in the communities near the army training camps-a need which can be met adequately only if Southern Baptists give \$300,000 on July 27 in response to the Southern Baptist Emergency Appeal for Religious Work in Camps and Communities.

A pastor in Florida writes: "Before the camp started we had a normal town with a population of about 2500. Today the population is over 7,000. Our church was not equal to the task. Now about 25,000 men of the South have come in here on us and we have a deep desire to send them back home at least as good Baptists as when they came and, if possible, to send more and better Christian men. We are in ourselves wholly inadequate to meet the demands."

The same pastor adds that his church is attracting between 100 to 200 soldiers for services each Sunday, and that he has baptized a number of soldiers, but "there are untold numbers around us and in the camp who are still our responsibility.

"These trained Baptist boys and their friends who are moving in daily are near my heart," he pleads. "I am anxious that we not lose them. I can see how the army life is working a change in many already. At the best we can do they are hard to conserve."

A pastor in Mississippi writes that a Government program in his town has resulted in 700 new homes which will bring around 2500 new people.

His church, challenged by the opportunity, has purchased a small lot in this new residential section on which they hope "somehow in the providence of God to erect a house of worship."

A pastor in Virginia makes this appeal: "One of our biggest problems is the swarms of civilian defense workers that are coming into this community. Literally thousands of them are coming and thousands of housing units are being built.... The local churches themselves are too burdened with the influx of people right around them, I fear, to be able adequately to handle the situation created by the large building project just outside our city."

From a Tennessee pastor comes a vivid description of the needs created in his community: "Camp Forrest is just a mile from Tullahoma city limits. They will have about 30,000 and 35,000 boys here in training, or maybe more. Major Hays told me the other day that they now could take care of 60,000 by sleeping them in tents. Tullahoma is a middle Tennessee town of about 6,000 people. They like to boast of the fact that they are now a church town. The Baptists have been housed in a little stone building that will hold about 400 people. We have on the church lot an old dwelling house for our Sunday school. Two hundred is all that we can care for in Sunday school with any degree of efficiency. "You see what the Baptists have

in Tullahoma now. To meet those coming thousands we must have a building before we can care for anything outside of what we are now caring for."

These letters are typical of hun-

dreds which have come to the Home Mission Board-letters from pastors from chaplains and from laymen describing the urgent need, especially in the communities which have grown up adjacent to the camps.

"If every Baptist in the South could sit at my desk," said Dr. Lawrence, "and read the letters of appeal that come in from the chaplains in the camps and from our Baptist preachers whose churches are continguous to the camps, their hearts would be moved mightily and the strings to their purses unloosed readily.

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Of the 45,876 men and women enrolled in Negro colleges in the United States the past year, 5,005 were in schools in the South where the Home Mission Board has teacher-mission-

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# MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST STUDENTS JOIN IN PRAYER FOR A STATE STUDENT SECRETARY My Pledge

Realizing that we have a great need in Mississippi for a State Student Secretary, and knowing that God answers prayer when we fully trust Him, I, in His presence, pledge at least three minutes of my time each day in prayer that He might see fit to give us a State Student Secretary, that His student forces in our state might advance in a greater way to conquer in His name.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Approximately 150 Mississippi Baptist students have recently returned from the mountains of Ridgecrest, North Carolina, where we spent eight of the most glorious days of our lives at the Southwide Baptist Student Retreat. Great Christian leaders from over the Southland were there to inspire us to maximum Christian living, to help us in solving our various problems, and to lead us in making many decisions for Christ. Several students volunteered their lives to the foreign mission field, while many others dedicated their lives to Christ for work at home in whatever field of service Christ would lead them.

At our first state meeting of the retreat, our Family Altar theme was "Fidelity to Christ Through Prayer." For some time Mississippi Baptist students have felt the need for a State Student Department to be a part of the great Mississippi Baptist Convention just as we have our Sunday School, Training Union, and W. M. U. Departments. Mississippi has long been a leader in Southern Baptist work, but, at present, every other state in the Southern Baptist Convention, except Mississippi, has a Student Department and also a secretary of that Department serving either full time or part time.

Therefore, at our first state meeting at Ridgecrest, we pledged ourselves in God's presence to pray at least three minutes each day that He will give us a state secretary if it be in accord with His Divine Will. We feel that through 450 minutes of prayer going up to God each day from the hearts of consecrated, concerned students, we shall receive that which we desire so much.

We invite all of our fellow-Baptists in the state to join us in prayer as we seek to do the will of Him who gave Himself for us.

### PACE

The Pace B. A. U. had ten per cent at their last meeting, all having studied the lesson. Average grade 70. Mrs. W. S. Redden was elected president and W. E. Skelton, vice-president. The following committees were appointed: Membership, W. E. Skelton, Alpha Symonds and G. W. Mahan. Social: O. R. Gresham, W. E. Skilton and Mrs. G. W. Mahan. Instruction Committee: Mrs. V. D. Henny, quiz leader, Mrs. J. K. Harris and Chester Symonds. Group captains: Mrs. V. D. Henny and Mrs. O. R. Gresham.

Mr. O. R. Gresham, Corresponding Secretary.

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Dr. Alfred Carpenter
CAMP SERVICE

Acceptance by Dr. Alfred Carpenter, Blytheville, Ark., of the position of superintendent of camp work for Southern Baptists, has been announced by Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer, Home Mission Board.

For seven years pastor of First Baptist Church, Blytheville, the new camp superintendent, Dr. Lawrence said, was for five years prior to that associated with the Home Mission Board, first as pastor of Balboa Heights Baptist Church, Panama, and superintendent of mission work in the Canal Zone for three years, and two years as field representative of the Church Building Loan Fund.

In coming again to the Board, Dr. Lawrence explained, Dr. Carpenter will have charge of cooperative work with chaplains and with churches near military training camps, a work committed to the Home Mission Board by the Southern Baptist Convention at its recent annual meeting in Birmingham.

"Southern Baptists," Dr. Lawrence said, "are now in a campaign to raise \$300,000 for strictly religious work in the camps and camp communities. This big offering will be given on one Sunday, July 27. Dr. Carpenter will direct the work made possible by that offering."

A native of New Jersey but reared in Oklahoma, Dr. Carpenter is an alumnus of Oklahoma Baptist University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

While in the Canal Zone Dr. Lawrence said that Dr. Carpenter had ministered to service men stationed there in the army and navy. He had close contact with the chaplains located in the Zone.

When in Atlanta to discuss the work with Board officials, Dr. Carpenter visited Fort McPherson. He was shown over the grounds by Chaplain W. R. Callaway of the reception center.

On the train coming to Atlanta Dr. Carpenter said he had talked with perhaps thirty men in whiform—lieutenants, privates, marines. He asked each two questions: "What can we do to help the men religiously? How can we do it?"

"Without exception," he commented, "they made it clear that they were hungry for gospel preaching. One man said, 'Our chaplain takes off his coat and preaches. We like that.'"

Dr. Carpenter was converted, or-

#### BOB JONES COLLEGE

Dr. John L. Stone, who has been the head of the Department of Education for the last three years at Bob Jones College, located at Cleveland, Tennessee, has been elected dean of the institution. Dr. Stone, who is said to have enough hours for a Doctor of Philosophy degree in four fields of learning, is a well-known Baptist minister and a graduate of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Bob Jones College, which was founded by Dr. Bob Jones, internationally-known evangelist, and whose son, Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., is acting president, has had a remarkable growth for the last eight years. The institution is non-denominational, but there is no compromise in its emphasis on the absolute authority of the Bible. All members of the faculty are required to sign on the opening day of each school year this creed:

I believe in the inspiration of the Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; the creation of man by the direct act of God; the incarnation and virgin birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ; His identification as the Son of God: His vicarious atonement for the sins of mankind by the shedding of His blood on the cross; the resurrection of His body from the tomb; His power to save men from sin; the new birth through the regeneration by the Holy Spirit; and the gift of eternal life by the grace of God.

of the more than five hundred students matriculated last year one hundred seventy of them were young men preparing for the ministry. A large number of the ministerial students are preparing for the Baptist ministry. Dr. Sheldon, a graduate of Eastern Theological Seminary and a Baptist minister, is heard of the Bible Department, and Dr. Monroe Parker, a Southern Baptist preacher, is director of religious activities and teacher of Doctrines in the Department of Bible.

A few weeks ago, a company of soldiers was transferred from the East to sunny California—arriving in the midst of the rainy season.

The commander of the company, making a night tour of the camp, was challenged by a sentry who had been standing at his post for two hours in a driving rain.

"Who's there?" called the sentry. "Friend," replied the C. O.

"Welcome to our mist," said the sentry.

dained and sent out by the First Baptist Church of Mangum, Okla. He was also married there. He and Mrs. Carpenter have no children. Dr. Carpenter has served Arkansas Baptists as members of the state mission board, president of the Arkansas Baptist Assembly, president of the board of control of Jonesboro Baptist College, member of the state committee on missions and evangelism, and superintendent of evangelism.

Dr. Carpenter will begin his army camp work August 1. He resigned his church in Blytheville, July 2, Dr. Lawrence said.

#### SEBASTOPOL

Brother J. W. Burnett has served as pastor of this church for over a year, his members welcomed him with open arms as they felt that God has sent him this way to work with his people. The church was in need of a good many repairs, new top, new brick foundation, paint inside and outside, new windows, and new doorsteps, and at once Brother Burnett called his laborers together and the response was more than necessary to do this repair, Our Sunday School has grown rapidly, the training unions are all functioning in A-1 order, the Ladies' W. M. S. is one of the strongest that we have ever had. Brother Burnett also placed before the church the necessity of the EVERY FAMILY Plan, which was at once adopted in our church. The church had always had preaching once a month and we are very happy to report that we have half time preaching now.

The Lord has been so good to us, we felt that we wanted to openly express our thanks for our good church organization, our pastor and his good wife and family. We pray God's blessings on all His Christian followers and His blessed Word.

Members of Sardis Baptist Church.

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#### STONEWALL

The week of June 22 to June 27 will be one long to be remembered by the boys and girls as well as the older people of Stonewall, for a most successful Bible school was held at that time. Miss Madison of the State Board was with us to direct the school. One hundred and fifty boys and girls were enrolled in this school. There was an average attendance of one hundred and twenty-six. The attendance grew each day from one hundred and eleven on Monday to one hundred and thirty-two on Friday. Helpers were furnished by the local church. Rev. J. T. McRae, a ministerial student from Enterprise, also helped. The mission offering brought by the boys and girls each day was sent to the State Mission Board to be applied on the debts of Mississippi Baptists. After the commencement program on Friday night five made profession of faith and united with the church. Surely the Lord was

At night Miss Madison taught "A Church Using Its Sunday School" to the Sunday school teachers and officers.

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Sollie I. Smith, Pastor.

Bruce, Miss., June 29-Rev. L. F. Haire, Pastor of the Baptist Church here, began an eight-day series of revivals for the young people of the town and community, with Rev. Carmon Sharp, of Corinth, evening preaching and Camp Fire Service leader; and James Fairchilds, of Wesson, song leader, chalk talker and morning preacher; Sarah Wallis of Memphis, devotional and junior choir leader, and Marian Brimm of Memphis, devotional and discussion group leaders. Ample preparations have been made and the folks are looking forward prayerfully to these revivals and the prayers of God's people are asked for the on-going of The Kingdom work here and now. -Member.



DR. D. M. NELSON
President of Mississippi College Since 1932

# FACULTY AT MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE IS OUTSTANDING

One of the distinguishing features of Mississippi College is its outstanding faculty.

The college is composed of the following departments: Ancient Languages; Biology; Chemistry; Christianity; Commercial Science; Economics and Sociology; Education; Fnglish; History; Mathematics; Modern Languages; Physics; Physical Education; Psychology and Philosophy.

Thirteen of the professors and department heads hold doctor degrees from leading universities. Four hold master degrees. And all are active Christians, and many of them hold positions of prominence in the Clinton Baptist Church.

In order to prepare themselves for better service, each summer several faculty members do graduate work in leading schools of the nation.

Graduates of the following colleges and universities are found among the faculty of Mississippi College: Wake Forest College, University of North Carolina, Furman University, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Denison University, Ohio State University, Georgetown College (Ky.), University of Michigan, Ouachita College, University of Chicago, Mississippi College, University of Texas, Louisiana State University, University of Kentucky, University of Mississippi, Tulane University, University of Maryland, University of Colorado, Indiana University, Goettengen University, Colgate University, Bowling Green Business University, Cornell University, Howard College, Peabody College, Clark College, Vanderbilt University, University of Wisconsin, Mercer University, University of Pittsburgh, Shorter College, Central University of Kentucky.

Not only is the school work at Mississippi College as good as any and better than many, but in addition, there is that religious emphasis that sends its graduates out not only scholars equal to any but Christian leaders worthy of any community.

The present faculty of Mississippi College consists of:

Emmett Sams Ashcraft, M. A.—Assistant Professor of Mathematics B. S., Wake Forest College, 1930; M.A., University of North Carolina, 1939.

William Lockhart Ball, Jr.—Director of Student Activities and Choral Work, B.A., Furman University, 1935; Thm.M., Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 1939.

\*Henry Arthur Carlock, M.S.—Assistant Professor of Physics, B.S., Denison University, 1927; M.S., Ohio State University, 1931.

Samuel Elliott Cranfill, M.A.—Associated Professor of Social Science, A.B., Georgetown College, 1920; M.A., University of Michigan, 1925.

\*Charles Lee Deevers, Ph.D.—Associate Professor of Biology, A.B., Ouachita College, 1929; M.A., University of Chicago, 1932; Ph.D., Ibid, 1936.

Joel Reuben Hitt, B.S.—Professor of Mathematics, B.S., Mississippi College, 1917; Graduate Student, University of Texas, Summer 1926; Louisiana State University, Summers 1934, 1935, 1936.

Charles Warren Horner, A.B.-Assistant Profes-



DR. W. H. SUMBALL Dean at Mississippi College

sor of English, A.B., Georgetown College, 1936; Graduate student, University of Kentucky, 1939-40.

Atley Asher Kitchings, Ph.D.—Professor of Modern Languages, A.B., Mississippi College, 1917; M.A., University of Mississippi, 1932; Ph.D., Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 1933. Graduate student, Tulane University, Summer 1933; University of Maryland, Summer 1934; University of Colorado, Summers 1935, 1936.

Walter Melvin Landrum, A.B.—Assistant Professor of Physical Education,, A.B., Mississippi College, 1934.

Murray Latimer, M.A.—Professor of Greek and Latin, A.B. and B.S., Mississippi College, 1897; M.A., Ibid, 1898; Graduate student, University of Chicago, Summers 1898, 1899, 1900. 1916.

\*George Hazelrigg Mackie—Director of Band and Orchestra, Pupil of Dr. Louis Schaffer (Violin, Berlin Conservatory); Instrumentation and Orchestration with W. H. Mackie, New York City, Brandmaster's Diploma from the Frederick Will Innes School of Band Music, Denver.

Dotson McGinnis Nelson, Ph.D.: LL.D.—Professor of Physics, B.S., Mississippi College, 1907; M.A., Indiana University, 1919; Ph.D., Ibid, 1925.

Michael O'Rourke Patterson, Th.D., D.D.—Professor of Christianity, B.S., Mississippi College, 1903; Th.D., Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 1920.

John William Provine, Ph.D., LL.D.—Professor of Organic Chemistry, B.S., University of Mississippi, 1888; M.A., Ibid, 1890; Ph.D., Goettingen, 1892

Stanley Lewis Robinson, M.A.—Professor of Physical Education and Health, A.B., Colgate University, 1915; M.A., University of Michigan, 1934.

George Marion Rogers, B.C.S.—Professor of Commercial Science, A.B., Mississippi College, 1940; B.S.C., Bowling Green Business University, 1917; Graduate student, University of Chicago, Summer, 1919; Louisiana State University, Summer 1929; University of Colorado, Summer 1936.

William Otho Sadley, Ph.D.—Professor of Biology, A.B., Mississippi College, 1929; Ph.D., Cornell University, 1932.

Ira Fred Simmons, Ph.D.—Professor of Education, A.B., Howard College, 1914; M.A., George Peabody College for Teachers, 1924; Ph.D., Ibid, 1934.

William Herbert Sumrall, Ph.D.—Professor of Education and Psychology, AB., Clark College, 1914; A.B., Mississippi College, 1925; Ph.D., Indiana University, 1929.

\*Chester Eugene Swor, M.A.—Assistant Professor of English and Director of Student Activities, A.B., Mississippi College, 1929; M.A., University of North Carolina, 1934.

Walter Fuller Taylor, Ph.D.—Professor of English, A.B., Mississippi College, 1921; A.M., University of Chicago, 1925; Ph.D., University of North Carolina, 1930.

Edwin Bruce Thompson, Ph.D.—Associate Professor of History, A.B., Furman University, 1936: M.A., Vanderbilt University, 1935; Ph.D., University of Wisconsin, 1940.

Glenn David Walker-Assistant Professor of

GOING PLACES

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reader of the Baptist Record for the past year and it seems that I could hardly do without it now. Will you please send me the rates for the paper. I am putting on a drive for the paper in my church. And I am securing subscriptions for the Record because I know how much it has meant to me.

"Yours in His service,
"Beatrice Walley,
"Ovett, Mississippi."

More Churches Adopt the Every Family Plan

Among churches adopting the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record are: Mt. Zion, Webster County, L. W. Estes, Pastor; Red Creek Union, Jackson, R. R. Darbey; Bethel, Winston, R. D. Parson; Lexie, Walthall, J. B. Ray; Cross Roads, Webster, L. W. Estes; Lula, Madison, Rock Hill, Rankin, J. P. Bush; Tomnolen, Webster, L. W. Estes; Oak Grove, Lauderdale, O. S. Sims; Pine Grove, Clark, L. R. Massey; Antioch, Jones; Bowmar Avenue (Vicksburg), Paul Cranford; Mt. Olive, R. R. Brigance.

Remember Those in Camp

Says a Baptist boy in one of our camps, "I look forward each week for the day for the Baptist Record to come. It has meant much to me in trying to live a Christian life here."

Every church should see that each member in a training camp gets the Record. Send us one dollar for eight months or add to your EVERY FAMILY list.

Watching the Every Family Churches Go

(Clippings from past issues of the Record.)
Pastor W. C. Wood says the Crosby Church will
easily reach its quota for the Now Club. Most
E. F. churches will.

From Rev. Robert I. Martin we learn that Black Jack Church was the first in Yazoo County to reach its quota in the Now Club. This is not unusual with E. F. churches,

Pastor J. R. Eubanks began a meeting in Tabernacle Church, Greenville, Sunday with Dr. R. B. Gunter assisting. There were 20 awaiting baptism when the meeting began. Last week the Vacation Bible School had over 100 enrolled. We expect such good reports from E F. churches.

Pastor J. W. Sturdivant of Merigold writes that they are having the best D. V. B. School in the history of the church. Attendance is at an all-time high record and a wonderful spirit of cooperation is being shown by all. Why not? This is an E. F. church.

Mendenhall Revival: Bro. W. A. Green of Waynesboro did the preaching, which is enough said about the preaching. The meeting was the best attended that we have had since I have been pastor there. Visible results, 27 added to the church, most of them by faith and baptism. E. F. churches usually report good meetings.

The E. F. Plan makes a poor church good and a good church better. Try it.

Another Record Booster

Ours is a splendid paper and I am happy to be a subscriber.

Always your friend,

J. C. Skinner, Tupelo, Miss.

Lying among the dust and ashes in the choir of Westminster Abbey after the German night-raiders had done their worst, was a large-type copy of the Book of Common Prayer. It was open on a page which bore the verses: They have set fire upon thy holy places and have deflied the dwelling-place of thy name even unto the ground. Yea, they said in their hearts, Let us make havoc of them altogether: thus have they burnt up all the houses of God in the land.—Ex.

Physical Education, A.B., Mississippi College, 1939.
Arthur Eugene Wood, Ph.D.—Professor of Chemistry, B.S., Mercer University, 1907; M.S., Vanderbilt University, 1909; Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh, 1924.

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